

Syria said pressing Soviets for advanced arms, Mig 23

By ANAN SAFADI
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Lebanese President Hafez Assad yesterday strongly indicated that he was pressing the Soviet Union for advanced weapons which would include an improved version of the Mig 23 jet and probably the Mig 25.

Assad's statement came after a meeting in Damascus with Lebanese leftist leader Kamal Jumblatt, a 1972 Lenin Peace Prize winner who is known for his close relations with the Kremlin.

Jumblatt himself said that he felt "Syria should get the Mig 23, which is superior to the Mig 21."

"Either that or the Mig 21 should be improved so that it can stay in the air for at least one hour," Jumblatt said while claiming that most of the Syrian Mig 21s shot down last week ran out of fuel while fighting the superior Israeli Phantom.

Beirut press reports earlier said that the Syrian President conferred with the Soviet Ambassador Nouriddin Mohieddinov in Damascus a day after the air combat, indicating that a request for advanced arms might have been made at that meeting.

Officially, no details were disclosed on the meeting which took place two days after Assad returned home from a three-day summit in Cairo with Egyptian President Anwar Sadat and Jordanian King Hussein.

In this connection, Assad yesterday said that the Cairo summit took place with the aim of mobilizing all available resources for the battle against Israel.

Assad yesterday hailed King Hussein's amnesty of hundreds of Palestinian saboteurs detained in Jordan — indicating his rejection of the terrorists' opposition of the rapprochement with Jordan.

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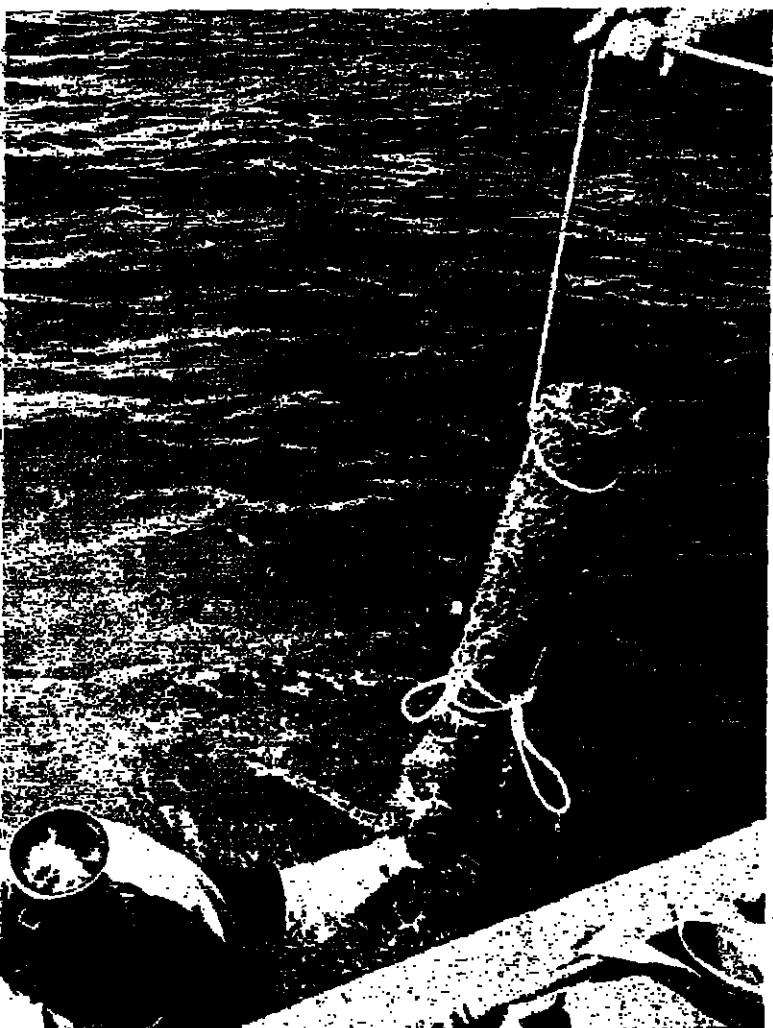
In a move to counter Hussein's gesture in amnestying terrorists, the sabotage movement yesterday claimed that the Jordanian authorities had recently rounded up "tens of citizens loyal to the Palestinian revolution" mainly in Amman and Irbid. It claimed that most of the detainees were students.

Meanwhile, the Jordanian government was expected today to complete the release of all political prisoners, numbering about 1,000. A spokesman for the Ministry of Justice said in Amman yesterday that these include 216 prisoners awaiting trial.

Premier Zaid Rifai yesterday said that those released under the general amnesty would have freedom of movement inside and outside Jordan.

Rifai made the statement in an obvious reaction to Cairo's "Al-Ahram" newspaper which yesterday claimed that the Jordanian authorities were banning the ex-prisoners from leaving the country — "making them virtual hostages." The report in "Al-Ahram" was believed to have been irritated by the terrorists who appear incited by the fact that some terrorists plan to settle in Jordan after dissociating themselves with the sabotage movement.

These appear to include the controversial Fatah leader, Abu Daoud, who despite his release on Tuesday had informed the Egyptian and the Syrian governments of his wish to settle in Jordan, in contrast to his movement's claims for his return.



Mr. Dubs, Diamant brings up five 6-inch shell from sunken Royal Egyptian flagship Emir Farouk in waters off Gaza yesterday. (Schul)

Egyptian warship Farouk, sunk in 1948, found off Gaza

By ZE'EV SCHUL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The former flagship of the Egyptian navy, the Emir Farouk, up by a "human torpedo" was trying to land reinforcements for the hard-pressed Egyptian forces here 25 years ago relocated this week. It was some 1,500 metres offshore, fathoms of water west of the newly constructed unloading pierment cargoes.

former Royal Egyptian Navy

ship, an auxiliary cruiser carrying a formidable six-inch gun on her forecastle and a 4.5 inch gun on the stern, rests on the bottom, upright, with all her stern stove in by the explosion which ripped her apart during the night of October 22/23, 1948.

The explosion was caused by a "human torpedo" steered by a Palestinian, Yohai Bin-Nun. He was to become one of the first Ghorei Fatah (only 13 such Fatahs were made during the 1948/49 war) for this exploit when he directed his explosives-laden high-speed motor boat against the hull of the Egyptian vessel. He himself leapt out shortly before the boat struck home.

Of five "human torpedoes" only two reached their targets, both in the face of heavy gunfire directed at them after they were prematurely discovered. Bin-Nun later became commanding officer of the navy and is credited with much of the responsibility of revamping it from a collection of outdated surface vessels into the highly sophisticated missile launching navy it is today.

The rediscovery of the Emir Farouk came almost by accident. A Gaza diver, Abu Issa, first reported the presence of the hull to a visitor from the private Andromeda yachting and scuba diving club of Jaffa.

Arye "Dubs" Diamant, 32, senior diving instructor of the club, accompanied by the brothers Nissan and Aaron Greenberg, were the first to take the plunge down yesterday. The cruiser was discovered by means of "axes" taken on distant landmarks and trailing an anchor, in the final stage, until it caught on the hull of the ship.

Diving was limited to 40 minutes. On their return the divers surfaced with a five six-inch shell, picked out from a pile lying on the fore-deck, and also one of the starboard navigation lights which had probably been attached to the bridge but was blown off by the force of the explosion.

Dubs said that the ship was already encrusted with coral and weed and that it was difficult to discern (Continued on page 2, col. 7)

CHILE OPENS AIRPORTS; RESTRICTIONS STILL ON

By ARI KATH
SANTIAGO. — Chile's ruling military junta reopened the country's airports yesterday, but continues all other restrictions imposed by the state of siege in force since last week's coup d'état.

The junta is now more exposed to persistent questioning by the foreign press and has a lot more explaining to do, with the arrival on Wednesday from Buenos Aires of 90 top international newsmen and television crews, who were not admitted to the country until one week after the coup.

The main question that is bothering every newsmen here is the mass arrests and reports of maltreatment of thousands of political prisoners, many of whom are foreign nationals, as the around-the-clock hunt for left-wing elements goes on.

The junta's press secretary, Federico Willoughby, said at his daily press briefing yesterday that the junta expects representatives of the International Red Cross Committee from Geneva to arrive any day now to visit the prisoners. Newsmen could see

them only after the Red Cross visit, he said.

Meanwhile, foreign ambassadors, including the U.S. envoy, are not permitted to see political prisoners who are nationals of their respective countries, most of whom are still being held at Santiago's National Stadium.

I saw heart-breaking sights of hundreds of relatives, standing for hours on the sidewalks opposite the stadium, trying to get some food and refreshments to the prisoners, who are reported to have been without any substantial nourishment for almost a week now. But there is no chance of getting even close to the fence around the stadium.

There are reports of special "black hand" squads of the Brazilian secret police, who are said to have arrived in Chile during the past few days and are helping the junta to hunt down left-wing Brazilians. Dead bodies of killed Brazilians are reported to have been found on roadsides.

The Santiago correspondent of the "Washington Post," Marilee Simons, was detained on Wednesday for several hours for

"questioning" about some of her stories. She was released only after several hours, having been told that she must "rectify" some of her "misleading and distorted" reports.

In an interview published on the front page of "El Mercurio," the President of the junta, General Augusto Pinochet, has again accused foreign correspondents of sending distorted reports abroad which are directed at what he calls "international Communism."

Gen. Pinochet said Chile will regain all its liberties when "the country recovers, the malignant tumour of Marxism is cut out, and the people regain their self-confidence."

Meanwhile, the junta is beginning to take a dim view of long hair, beards, mini-skirts and slacks worn by girls. Individual soldiers and carabinieri on their own initiative are cutting the hair and beards of men on the streets. Long hair is trimmed on the spot, mini skirts are pulled lower and girls' slacks are cut and opened on the sides to make them look like skirts.

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Threats and subsidy end bus strike

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A strike by Egged and Dan which paralysed bus transport for 12 hours yesterday, ended suddenly at 5 p.m. in the afternoon under the combined impact of a Government threat to adopt tough measures and a court injunction. Public indignation over the paralysis of the main form of public transport less than a week before the Rosh Hashana holiday also seems to have played a part in the decision of the two bus co-ops to return their vehicles to the roads.

Spokesmen of the bus firms spoke vaguely of an "intermediate settlement" that persuaded them to end the strike. But their only visible gains were an undertaking by Transport Minister Shimon Peres to pay a previously promised subsidy of IL21m. in three monthly instalments beginning this month, and a promise by Acting Histadrut chief Yehoram Meisel to expedite loans from Hevrat Ovdim to tide them over financial difficulties. The previous subsidy pledge had not been given a date.

Bus spokesmen said that negotiations will continue.

At the request of the co-ops, Tel Aviv District Court Judge Shlomo

Schools and business life were disrupted and taxi prices soared during the 12-hour bus strike. (Reports, page 2.)

Lowenberg in the afternoon cancelled a back-to-work injunction he issued earlier at the request of a Tel Aviv lawyer, Binyamin Levinbock, who said that by virtue of the monopoly enjoyed by Egged and Dan they were required to give service to the public. The judge cancelled the order after witnessing that the buses had indeed returned to work.

The cooperatives charge the Government has not honoured an undertaking to compensate them for rising prices.

Earlier in the day, the Economic Ministers Committee met in Jerusalem and authorized Transport Minister Shimon Peres to take "any steps necessary" to renew bus transport.

Mr. Peres had already issued an authorization to owners of private and commercial vehicles to take paying passengers. He instructed all Government drivers to take passengers without payment and issued a general appeal to drivers to pick up persons needing a lift.

Mr. Peres said that by today at least 1,000 trucks would be plying the Egged and Dan routes unless the strike ended.

At 11 a.m. Mr. Peres took the unusual step of officially permitting private motorists to charge 50 agora in town and IL1 for every 20 kms. out of town.

Announcing the strike's end yesterday afternoon, the bus co-ops said they were doing so after talks with Mr. Peres and the Histadrut "to avoid further inconvenience to the public." Their spokesmen said the agreement reached yesterday was only a stop-gap measure and they hoped Mr. Peres would keep his promise to solve all outstanding issues by the November 15 deadline he himself had set. A new agreement on Government subsidies and fare hikes should be reached by that date, they said. At an earlier press conference, the bus firms' spokesmen said the cooperatives were running at a monthly loss of IL9m. because of price rises.

Nixon may abandon fight to change Jackson amendment

By DANIEL GOTTLEBERG
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WASHINGTON. — The Nixon administration apparently has decided to abandon the fight to modify the Jackson amendment to the trade bill in the House Ways and Means Committee, congressional sources said yesterday.

One source close to the committee's closed-door drafting sessions, said that the Administration's latest tactic appears to be to just leave out the most-favoured-nation section of the trade bill to which

the Jackson amendment applies.

This strategy could change in the backstage struggle over giving the President authority to grant MFN status to the Soviet Union and other Communist countries.

Support for the Jackson amendment has been so firm that even one of the backers of compromise language reportedly is having second thoughts about this tactic. Administration forces could still offer a compromise on the floor if the House Rules Committee allows such a procedure.

But Jackson amendment supporters are now predicting confidently that the House will reject compromise language, if it is offered.

Public backing for the amendment, which would deny MFN or government export credits to any country which restricts free emigration or imposes more than a token exit fee, has broadened since Soviet physicist Sakharov sent an open letter to Congress this month urging its adoption. He argued it would discourage Soviet repression of intellectuals and human rights.

From the original public image of the amendment as an issue on Jewish emigration, the Jackson forces are now arguing the broader aspects of human rights and freedom involved in giving the Soviet Union trade benefits without a quid pro quo on emigration.

"If we can present this as human rights versus greed, we've won," one congressional aide working for the amendment told The Jerusalem Post.

An indication that the Administration has backed off a fight in the Ways and Means panel is the postponement of plans for Secretary of State designate Henry Kissinger to meet with the members to argue the case against the amendment.

Meanwhile, one casualty of the Jackson amendment struggle is an award from the American Jewish Committee which was slated to be given to Donald Kendall, head of PepsiCo an industry committee backing the Administration trade bill.

Richard Maas, chairman of the board of the AJC and of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry, said in a telephone interview yesterday that the award has been "indefinitely suspended." Because of Mr. Kendall's activities in opposing the Jackson amendment, the committee decided on Monday to suspend the award.

PepsiCo has announced a major agreement to market its soft drinks in the Soviet Union in return for which Russian vodka and other spirits will be provided for sale in the U.S. This has sparked a call for boycott of Pepsi products from militant Jewish groups, but Mr. Maas stressed that neither the AJC or the national conference was backing this protest.

MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION: Can't cooperate after price freeze over

Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

Mark Mosevici, president of the Manufacturers Association, told representatives of the Government and the Histadrut at a meeting of the joint committee against inflation in Tel Aviv yesterday, "We cannot continue to cooperate with the Government if it proposes to go on with price control after the agreed 100-days period expires."

He urged a return to the situation that prevailed in June, before the price freeze, when control was limited to 135 products.

The meeting opened with a statement by Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir that the Government will continue its supervision after September 30, and will not allow unrestrained and unjustified price inflation.

Dr. Moshe Mandelbaum, deputy director-general of the Commerce and Industry Ministry, pointed out that prices had risen in June-September less than in the five months from January-May. The public advisory committee approved 83 applications authorizing an average price increase of 8.8 per cent. During the same period, 661 files were opened for breaches of the

price halt, and 295 cases were taken to court.

Uri Abramovich of the Histadrut advocated extending control regulations until the end of the year. Haim Bar-Lev, Minister of Commerce and Industry, said it was impossible to return to the situation prevailing before the price freeze was introduced, considering the inflationary pressures that exist.

"We must work out interim measures to see us through the coming period," he said.

The joint committee will meet again on October 1 — the day after the end of the 100-day price halt.

P.L.O. to 'try' Saudi embassy hijackers

KUWAIT (Reuters). — The five Arab gunmen who stormed the Saudi Arabian Embassy in Paris this month and finally released their diplomat hostages in Kuwait will be handed over shortly to the Palestine Liberation Organization "for trial," it was confirmed yesterday.

The PLO's local director, Ali Yassin, said after a meeting at the Kuwait Interior Ministry that the handing over decision was now final.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

More than 50 Soviet Jews appealed anew in Moscow to the Central Committee of the Communist Party for permission to emigrate yesterday, and accused government authorities of making a mockery of them.

The first three prize-winners of the Fifth International Harp Contest were announced last night: First Prize: Nancy Allen, 19 (U.S.A.); Second Prize: Grace Wong, 24 (U.S.A.); Third Prize: Catherine Yeats, 22 (Ireland). The prizes for the Schidlovsky piece were won by Mario Falcato, 31 (Portugal); and Catherine Yeats.

TO ALL BUS PASSENGERS

We would like to apologize to all passengers for the inconvenience caused to them yesterday due to the halting of bus services. We are happy to announce that an agreement has been reached which enabled us to resume operations with the least possible delay.

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Labour branches pick Knesset candidates

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Labour Party's main urban branches nominated their Knesset candidates yesterday. They will now be incorporated in the Knesset list by the party appointments committee chaired by Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir. The candidates chosen belong to the ex-Mapam majority, the smaller ex-Rafi and ex-Ahdut Ha'avoda factions having already made their choice.

The Tel Aviv branch council's first choice was Ari Ankori on 70 votes. Young Yosef Sarid got 61 with branch secretary Dov Ben-Meir and local women's candidate Ora Namir getting 55 each. The appointments committee will have to decide who gets precedence.

The Tel Aviv branch has two vacant seats to fill, those of Ze'ev Haring and Menahem Cohen.

Mr. Ben-Meir found himself the target of a smear campaign directed by Labour council secretary Uri

Alpert, who almost lost his seat to Ben-Meir a month ago.

The Jerusalem branch easily re-elected its chief, Moshe Baran, for a further Knesset term and filled Mordechai Zar's vacant seat by choosing another Iranian immigrant, city councillor Havi Shimon.

The prospects of Rabbi Menahem Hacohen, head of the Histadrut Haoved Hadati faction, for a safe Knesset seat are excellent. Informed party sources said last night that he has proven himself highly popular both as head of the Histadrut religious affairs department and as Rabbi of the Moshav Movement.

In Haifa, incumbent M.K. Moshe Werthan and Moshe Shabat as well as Mrs. Rahael Advi, who is presently a city council member, were selected for "safe" places. Mr. Almog will also be a "safe" candidate, but on behalf of the party Centre, and not as a Haifa representative.

Backing for Ben-Aharon mobilized

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Mapam and ex-Ahdut Ha'avoda have started quietly mobilizing activists in works committees to organize demonstrations of support for Histadrut Secretary General Yitzhak Ben-Aharon for another term and against the Labour Party leadership. Well informed Labour sources last night recalled the demonstrations which followed Ben-Aharon's resignation threat two years ago over the Prime Minister's intervention to settle the canning industry strike.

Since the drop in Labour Alignment votes in the recent Histadrut elections it is more dependent than before on Mapam for its majority rule of the Labour federation.

The spectre of a possible split in the Labour Party over Ben-Aharon's ultimatum to be reconfirmed in office before the Knesset elections is also being raised by his supporters. Mrs. Meir for her part telephoned Mr. Ben-Aharon at his kibbutz home as a gesture of goodwill. She reassured him, saying: "Don't leave, there is no reason for it. No one is pushing you. Nothing has changed since the Histadrut elections. We will yet drink 'leha-yim'."

He accuses the party leadership of having deserted him and insists on their coming to heel. His resignation deadline having now been postponed indefinitely, he is ostensibly on leave awaiting the Party's verdict.

However, he was already back in town yesterday, conferring with his supporters. He was back in his fifth-floor office in the Histadrut Executive Building, only 48 hours after clearing out his desk and declaring "I will never return to this room again."

He received a delegation of works committees. The atmosphere was restrained with the delegation urging the Labour Party "to create the conditions facilitating Ben-Aharon's remaining in office." For his part Mr. Ben-Aharon urged them to work hard for the Alignment election campaign.

Last night the ex-Ahdut Ha'avoda Deputy Secretary-General Avraham Gvulber and Kibbutz Hameuhad Secretary Danny Rosello called on Labour Party Secretary-General Aharon Yadin to advise him of their Kibbutz Secretariat's decision to back Mr. Ben-Aharon's bid for another term. Mr. Yadin replied that the Labour Party was bound by its decisions to elect the Secretary-General after the Knesset elections and, when the 12th Histadrut Convention assembled.



Scene at the Tel Aviv central bus station yesterday, with strike-bound buses jammed at passenger platforms.

HOW THE BUS STRIKE HIT THE CITIES Traffic jams choke Tel Aviv

By SARAH MONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Mammoth traffic jams developed here from the very early hours of the morning because of the bus strike. Thousands of cars were backed up at the approaches to the city, managing to inch forward only at a snail's pace.

Drivers who usually leave the car at home and travel to work by bus had to drive themselves yesterday. In addition, their routes lengthened as they transported other members of the family to work or school.

Families without cars were left without any means of transport. Some parents borrowed their children's bicycles to get to work and let their youngsters walk to school. Some — but certainly not most — drivers stopped to give hitchhikers a lift. Taxicabs were a rarity and there was a scramble for those that

did appear. Cab drivers became choosy, refusing out-of-town rides in favour of more profitable short routes within town. Sherut taxis disappeared and only individual fares were taken. Passengers who complained about farehikes were told bluntly that if they did not like it they could get out. Sherut cabs disappeared altogether.

Truck drivers plied the busy Dan number 5 route. A ride from the central bus terminal to Dizengoff circle yesterday cost 111 in an uncomfortable truck instead of 35 agora on a bus.

But the trucks did a brisk business as thousands of people who managed to get in from the suburbs to the central bus terminal found themselves stranded there. Long lines developed and several fist fights developed between people trying to push their way on to trucks, taxis or cars. Some cars appeared at the

terminal in the early afternoon when it was announced that Transport Minister Empower ate drivers to take fares. Work at factories and office hampered by the absence of employees.

Many teachers could not get to work. Among the worst affected were the school students, who often travel to school. The problem worsened in the early afternoon those who did manage to get to school in the morning, or get home.

Despite the inconvenience by the strike, most people by this reporter felt the most caught under no circumstances to give in to what they called the bus cooperative's bias. People advocated tough including the dismantling monopolistic cooperatives.

Veteran Mapam leaders Ya'ari, Hazan stand down

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Mapam's two veteran leaders, Meir Ya'ari and Ya'acov Hazan, will not stand for the Eighth Knesset, after being in the house since statehood. Another Mapam leader, Absorption Minister Nathan Peled, is also standing down.

Mapam sources indicate that the party's two candidates for Cabinet posts would be Shlomo Rosen, now Deputy Absorption Minister, for the kibbutz wing of Mapam, and Health Minister Victor Shemtov for the urban branches. Mapam is believed to have its eye on the Labour Ministry in the next government.

The Mapam Central Committee vote on its seven safe Knesset seats was put off because of the bus

strike yesterday. Party sources indicated that the seats of Ya'ari and Hazan will be taken by Mapam Secretary-General Meir Talmi and senior Histadrut official Aharon Ephraim, with Haya Grossman, Dov Zaklin and Deputy Health Minister Abdul Aziz Zoubi keeping their seats.

Veteran M.K. Reuven Arzi is not a candidate, and his seat is being contested by Histadrut man Yehuda Yudin and party Political Secretary Naftali Feder. A favourite for the seventh place is Eliezer Ronnen, director of the Jerusalem Development Company. The eighth place will probably go to poet Eliazar Granot, a popular figure in Kibbutz Artzi.

Haifa Labour Party 'safe' seats named

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Labour Party's Haifa branch council on Wednesday night approved its candidates for "safe" seats on the party's list of candidates for the Knesset and municipal elections.

In accordance with the demand of the party's mayoral candidate, Labour Minister Yosef Almog, seven new candidates were chosen for inclusion in the first 17 places on the Municipal slate, besides Mr. Almog himself. Mr. Almog argued that he must have the prerogative of choosing the candidates he needs to carry out the programme he has promised the voters.

The new candidates are: Professor Yosef Karni of the Technion;

Avigdor Bartel, general manager of the Oil Refineries; Mrs. Miriam Ben-Perez of Haifa University; Menahem Gottlieb, engineer and contractor; the Arab lawyer Jamil Shalhoub; Moshe Shergel, representing the Kibbutz Eliezer quarter; and Dr. Leo Gerasi, a physician specializing in industrial medicine.

The Alignment has 14 members on the present Council, including one Mapam representative, and expects to pick up several more seats. The Mapam candidate will be 18th on the Alignment's list this time, and this time is thus uncertain. Present Mayor Yerubam Zeisel and his deputy Avraham Sakhnin were given second and fourth places respectively on the list.

COURTS STRIKE

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Employees of the courts and execution offices in Jerusalem, Haifa and Beersheba yesterday announced they will renew a partial strike to back a pay claim starting today, and will receive the public only until 11 a.m. instead of until 1 p.m. The announcement came after a meeting between them and the Justice Minister yesterday failed to produce agreement.

Haifaite use the Carmelit

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The traffic jams caused by the strike were alleviated to some extent by the Carmelit subway link between the Carmelit central station and downtown Haifa. The Carmelit carried more passengers than usual, mainly during the rush hours.

The number of rail passengers was considerably lower than usual, apparently because of the difficulties in getting to and from the station, a railways spokesman said.

The three privately-owned Arab bus companies plying the Haifa-Nazareth route continued to operate with all their available buses. "We do not consider the strike necessary," a spokesman of one of the firms told The Post. The companies employ drivers, who get monthly wages. Egged men made no attempt yesterday to interfere with their service.

Some owners of trucks and trucks fitted for passenger carrying ran services between Haifa and the Bayside suburbs, charging rather more than the usual bus fares.

Your reporter toured the Hadar and downtown areas between 11 and 1 in the afternoon, and had to walk most of the way. Sherut taxis appeared to have disappeared and only a minority of drivers answered the Transport Minister's call to take passengers. But I heard of no case of any of them asking for fares, as they were entitled to do, from 11 a.m. On the other hand, school children found private car drivers ready to help them return home.

The most remarkable phenomenon was that there were far fewer pedestrians aboard than usual, and traffic was almost exclusively vehicular, as everybody who did not have to go out appeared to prefer to stay home. One downtown barber shop, which is usually crowded, especially towards the end of the week, was doing only slack business yesterday.

Workers in large industrial plants in the north were not affected wherever the companies had private transport agreements with Egged, as these were unaffected by the strike.

From Tiberias, David Slav reports: Most workers reached their jobs in industrial plants in the Jordan Valley by special bus, and the labour council there reported few absences. Pupils and teachers arrived at school here either on foot or in trucks provided by the municipality. Parents who drove their children

to school took neighbours' cars as well.

Civilians at bus stops and at "lift points" were given private cars. But some told were caught under no circumstances to give in to what they called the bus cooperative's bias. People advocated tough including the dismantling monopolistic cooperatives.

Arab workers kept from job

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

About half of the 50,000-strong Arab working force employed in Israel were unable to go to work yesterday as a result of the bus cooperative's strike.

The bulk of the Arab workers affected by the strike came from the Nabulus district and Gaza. The majority is employed far beyond "the green line" in construction work and canning factories.

Unaffected by the bus strike were workers employed in the vicinity of Jerusalem who travelled by Arab-owned transportation, including buses which operate throughout the administered areas but not inside

Jerusalem. Hadassah ambulances at 4 a.m. on.

Taxis did a roaring business yesterday, many drivers operating "sherut" or "shared fare" rather than taking single passengers on "special" trips.

Following complaints of instances of price gouging, a salaried taxi owners' association the Controller of Road Transport permit them to operate services or at least to cut (higher) weekend fares. An apprehensive about setting precedent, the Controller evaded answer and told taximen to on as usual.

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The Arab bus companies day reported a considerable number of passengers, esp. West Bank urban routes which normally also operates.

In Gaza, labourers crowd trains to get to their places and sought transport by a passenger cars. Internal transport both in the Strip and sheba (which has a muni company) operated normal inter-urban travel was mainly by taxis, some of charged as much as 140 trip from Beersheba to Tel

Business drops in Jerusalem

By ERMIE MEYER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Jerusalem merchants complained of a 30 per cent drop in business yesterday morning because of the bus strike. Avraham Birnbaum, Secretary of the Jerusalem Merchants Association, noted also that about 20 per cent of employees could not get to work.

Mr. Birnbaum said the strike was unjustified and that the Government "should either nationalize the bus cooperatives or allow other companies to enter the field and break their monopoly."

At the usually bustling Mahane Yehuda, food market, vendors complained there were no customers in the morning.

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A new State general school is to be built in Givat Mordechai. Kiryat Shmuel youngsters are to go to the existing religious elementary school in Givat Mordechai until the Paula Ben-Gurion school is completed in a few months.

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A new State general school is to be built in Givat Mordechai. Kiryat Shmuel youngsters are to go to the existing religious elementary school in Givat Mordechai until the Paula Ben-Gurion school is completed in a few months.

Golani march win first prize

The Golani Brigade's square marchers won first prize in the Three Day March. The winners were: Female — Northern Command; Male — El Al; Female — El Al; Male — El Al. Mixed civilian groups: Iration Industries.

EGYPTIAN WARSHIP

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anything beyond such large-sized objects as the silhouettes of the guns or the ship's superstructure.

"It takes a lot of imagination to conceive just what may be hidden behind all that overgrowth. It's twilight down there. I entered the cabin, located just under the forward gun, and also went onto the bridge. Its planing is still intact but the main steering wheel which I was trying to bring up is missing. Either some souvenir hunters were down there before us or it was shattered by the force of the explosion," Duba said.

He also said, "I tried to pry open some of the other cabin doors and get down to the engine rooms. But my time ran out before I could get down that far. There is still plenty of ammunition and live charges lying around on deck, almost undisturbed, and there are either two 2.5s or what is more likely, 20mm, anti-aircraft guns with drum magazines mounted on both sides of the bridge.

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Two dead in road accident

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A woman was killed on a mona-Yerubam road on Wednesday night when the car in which she was travelling drove into a deep carrying iron poles.

Masuda Krupin, 45, of was sitting beside her husband's car when they spotted a truck backing towards them. She tried to avoid the truck by jumping out of the car, but she was killed when the truck crashed through the car's screen and impaled her. She instantly.

In another accident on Wednesday, an unidentified 16-year-old was knocked down and killed by a taxi on El Arish.

MEAT DEALERS have been buying fatted lambs from tribes in the Negev. Some sheep are now being grazed in the south.

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a memorial service will be held at his graveside, Sanhedria Cemetery, Jerusalem, on Sunday, September 23, 1973 (26 Elul 5733) at 3.30 p.m.
THE FAMILY
A bus will leave at 2 p.m. from the Great Synagogue in Ramat Gan (Kikar Rambam) for Jerusalem.
The same day at 7.30 p.m., a Memorial Meeting, sponsored by the Religious Council of Ramat Gan, will be held in the Great Synagogue of Ramat Gan.

In deepest sorrow we announce the passing away of my beloved husband, our father, grandfather and great grandfather
ARIE LEO KLUGER
The funeral will take place today, Friday, September 21, 1973 at 10.15 a.m., at the Haifa Old Cemetery, main gate.
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Members of families, Talmidim and friends invited to attend.

سكنا من الاربعين

Dayan wants higher pay for Arabs in areas

By HERBERT BEN-ADI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Defence Minister Moshe Dayan yesterday said he plans to pay higher wages to Arab workers employed in the Government of Israel in the administered areas, as their wages are not linked to the Cost-of-Living Index.

He spoke to reporters while visiting Gaza's port, where he was pleased on the progress of cement-loading from 11 ships docked there. Mr. Dayan was told by port officials that 132,000 tons of cement had been unloaded since April, and they do not expect to ship as much via Gaza this season.

Earlier, the Defence Minister visited the industrial centre at the Erez checkpoint, where he met with some 350 Gazans employed in 12 Israeli-owned industrial plants.

Mr. Dayan went on by helicopter to tour refugee housing projects in the Rafah area. He said the Government would allocate \$10 million this year, and \$10 million next year, all in addition to the Gaza Strip's normal budget, for finding improved housing for those living in refugee camps. He ended his tour with a visit to the Rafah area, north of Gaza, where refugees are building their homes with the Government's aid.

Amnesty for ten Gaza prisoners

ZA — The Military Governor of Gaza Strip, Tat-Ahuf Avraham, yesterday granted amnesty to ten prisoners, bringing to 100 the number of inmates granted amnesty this year. They include prisoners convicted of crimes and offenses, but not those serving sentences for murder.

High Court rules against complaint of Russian oleh

The High Court of Justice on Tuesday refused Dr. Yull Nudel, a Russian immigrant, who sued the Absorption Ministry, to order it to pay him compensation for his claim of having been misled by the Ministry in his attempt to leave the country permanently.

Dr. Nudelman said the Absorption Ministry acted against him because he criticized the Ministry at a conference of Russian immigrants. As a result, he claimed, the Ministry refused to sell him an apartment.

The Absorption Ministry, however, argued the court that Dr. Nudel applied for passports for his family so they could travel abroad and a standard notification of his departure was sent by the Ministry to his family, before the Ministry's intervention took place. Dr. Nudelman's lawyers said he intended to travel abroad for two months, was told he could purchase an apartment after he returns, the lawyer spokesman said. (Itim)

BEKING YOUNGSTERS will be trained by the National Insurance Institute for time spent in training in Gadna youth corps, according to a proposal by Labour Minister of Elmolgi. The scheme has the support of the Defence Ministry.

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LAWYERS AGAINST NOISE 'WON'T BE ENFORCED'

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV — Legislation controlling noise would be a sheer waste of time and accomplishes nothing, unless the laws are enforced. This was stated by Mr. David Sivan, Secretary-General of the Council for the Prevention of Noise and Air Pollution, at a conference of engineers and other experts called by the Ministry of Transport to discuss the issue.

Mr. Sivan felt sure that the proposed anti-noise regulations would not be enforced, and he cited the non-enforcement of regulations against air pollution by traffic. He thought it would be much more effective for the experts to "stop meeting in such conferences" and to go out and hold public meetings, where they could try to persuade the general public to control the noise it makes.

(Mr. Sivan's remarks were

greeted with a marked lack of enthusiasm, as was his request that the participants stop smoking in the conference room, since they were not only polluting their own lungs — which was their right — but were also forcing him to breathe their tobacco smoke).

Earlier, Professor Y. Shaulinshki, of the Acoustics Department of the Technion, said that anything above 50 decibels — the level in most offices, all buses, and in the street, is much higher — lowered "creative and intellectual power" and impaired the efficiency of workers performing highly skilled jobs. He noted that in Russia, people who had to work in places where the decibel level was above 50, received "extra effort" pay if they turned out the same amount of work as persons working in quiet places.

He added that it was quite possible to adapt to life and work in places where the level

of noise was disturbing. "But," he said, "it requires sleeping pills to go to sleep and it causes a variety of neurotic conditions and psychosomatic ailments."

Mr. Yohanan Drori, of the Department of Acoustics of Israel Aviation Industries, pointed out that "windows in Israel, unlike those in colder climates, could not be tightly closed since they were not built properly." This allowed much noise to seep into any room facing a busy street, causing the inhabitants to talk to each other in loud voices, or even shout. He believed that it would not require a great expense for persons living in these types of houses to seal their windows, thus lowering the noise level within the room considerably.

The solution in such cases, another speaker noted, was not only to seal the windows, but also to install a "quiet" air-conditioning unit.

Defence Minister Moshe Dayan yesterday talked with Sheikh Abu Basma, a labour contractor in Gaza port. (Starphoto)

'Peace Ship' skipper coming ashore next week ABIE SEEKS NEW CREW

By ASHER WALLFISH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

"Peace Ship" skipper Abie Nathan comes ashore at Ashdod port on Sunday for the first time in four and a half months, in order to re-organise and re-staff his floating Voice of Peace radio station before relocating it 50 km. off Port Said. The ship is now 15 nautical miles off the coast of Israel.

Abie told The Post in a radio-telephone linkup through the Haifa ship-to-shore station yesterday, that the effective continuation of his mission had compelled him to break his vow not to leave his ship till peace came.

During his week on shore, he hopes to solve one of his big problems — the engagement of fresh volunteers for his crew. He will set sail for his new position on October 1.

He said he hoped to find announcers, news readers and disc jockeys who could work in Hebrew and Arabic; diesel engine mechanics for

his engine room and power plant; and radio technicians for his broadcasting operation. "I need six or seven devoted volunteers, and I can give them \$100 a month pocket money or perhaps a bit more at a pinch. But they must be convinced that the 'Peace Ship' is an important project, and be ready to sail for one to three months, if not longer," he told me.

Abie said he would leave to international waters north of Port Said and broadcast to Egyptians and Israelis on both banks of the Suez Canal at close range. "One million soldiers under arms will read me loud and clear in Egypt, Israel, and the neighbouring Arab countries," he said.

He said he would visit a number of kibbutzim during his shore stay, and hoped to mobilize some volunteers there. He would hold meetings with sympathisers in several localities to drum up ideas for getting more support and would see Arabs in Israel and the areas — hoping to get an Arab volunteer for his broadcasting studio.

The "Peace Ship" has stopped soliciting donations, he said. To make up the shortfall, he had sold some 117,000 worth of paintings from his personal collection. "I don't have many possessions left at all, and I don't have anywhere of my own to stay on shore," he confessed.

One of his objectives was to step up financial support and general sympathy in the United States. He hoped to organize a team next week who would see to this project, he said.

One of his biggest financial headaches was the fact that 50 per cent of his operating budget should have been covered by advertising.

"I need 10 minutes of spots a day for that, but I've not managed

to book more than three minutes, because the major agencies haven't been giving me business. I suppose it's conceivable that somebody is discouraging them. I want to get a lot more advertising in Israel next week, and I've also made contacts with agents in Cyprus and Britain who have clients all around the Eastern Mediterranean."

He said he had no contact whatsoever with official authorities in Israel or any of the Arab countries. In any case he sought ties with people, not with governments. "But I don't have the slightest complaint about the Israeli authorities. Whatever difficulties we have encountered are not deliberate on their part. They gave us whatever technical cooperation we requested. And I hope that when we eventually take up our third location off Beirut, we'll enjoy the same technical cooperation."

Abie said he was receiving loads of mail from sympathisers in Israel, the administered areas, and some Arab countries. His correspondents in Arab countries seemed to be mostly college students, he noted. "The trouble is that, although they like what we're doing on the 'Peace Ship,' they don't want to get involved personally in our project. They keep on asking me in letters, whether I can guarantee that my efforts will bring peace closer."

"They don't realise that there's no such thing as success in a mission like ours. Success is simply carrying on with what we are doing, to put Arabs into Jews into some sort of contact," he said.

"How could peace possibly come closer, while so many people who say they favour peace sit back, and let a few of us act? Abie asked me, before wishing The Post readers a hearty Shana Tova.



Abie on his ship. (Carol Gootler)

Booby-trap bomb found in T.A.

TEL AVIV — The police demolition squad yesterday dismantled a booby-trapped hand-grenade found by a municipal street cleaner near the old railway terminal here.

The cleaner came across a suspicious-looking parcel wrapped in a plastic bag in Derech Petah Tikva, not far from the terminal. He called the police, who found the parcel contained a primed Mills hand-grenade. They are investigating the incident, but no arrests were reported by last night. (Itim)

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Italy takes over bridge lead

ISRAEL TIES FRANCE IN EUROPE TOURNEY

OSTEND (Reuters). — Italy, one of the favourites, took over the lead from France in open series of the European Bridge Championships here Wednesday night.

The French dropped to second place after being held to a draw by third-placed Israel.

In the women's section, Ireland expected, before the championships began, to figure among the tailenders, continued to set the pace with a 20-0 win over Denmark.

But Ireland still face their most difficult matches and are expected to fade in the coming rounds and leave the title race between the "big three" — Italy, France and Britain.

Yesterday was a rest day after seven days of continuous play. Open series (18th round) results: Germany beat Norway 20-0, Italy beat Finland 18-2, Belgium beat Portugal 20-minus 5, Switzerland beat Denmark 15-5, Britain beat Poland 12-8, Israel drew with France 10-10, Czechoslovakia beat Hungary 13-7, Sweden beat Lebanon 12-minus 5.

Women's (7th round) results: Israel beat Greece 12-8, France beat Belgium 20-0, Italy beat Switzerland 18-2, Ireland beat Denmark 20-1, Spain beat Sweden 12-8, Norway beat Germany 14-6, Britain beat Netherlands 17-3.

Women's championship table after seven rounds:

Ireland 109, Italy 103, Britain 91, France 87, Norway 83, Spain 65, Sweden 65, Switzerland 63, Belgium 55, Denmark 55, Netherlands 54, Israel 51, Greece 49, Germany 41.

Druse adviser for Commerce Ministry

Kamal Kassem, a Druse attorney from Haifa, has been appointed special adviser to the Commerce and Industry Minister on the development of handicrafts and trade in the Arab and Druse sector.

The new adviser is 40 years old, a lawyer since 1955 and editor of the "Tel Druse" weekly. He also wrote the first book in Arabic on Israeli Civics, which is still in use in Israeli schools.

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Model of an 18th century Polish synagogue from a Rosh Hashana exhibition now on at the Haifa Museum of Ethnology and Folklore. Apart from models like the one above, the exhibition also includes many photographs of synagogues in the Old City of Jerusalem destroyed during the Jordanian occupation and a variety of other objects connected with synagogues and ritual. The exhibition will remain open until December at the Museum, 19 Rehov Arlosoroff. (Oscar Tauber)

Yosef calls for ethical behaviour in daily life

Jerusalem Post Staff
Sephardi Chief Rabbi Ovadia Yosef has called on Jews everywhere to observe with greater stringency the precepts of ethical behaviour in public and commercial life. In his New Year Message for 5734, the Chief Rabbi wrote that the "commandments pertaining to man and his fellow-man" were more important than the "commandments pertaining to man and his God." He urged abstention from slander and jealousy, and devotion to charity and good deeds.

Rabbi Yosef called on spiritual leaders abroad to fight assimilation

and to urge their congregants to move to Israel.

He called, too, for continued efforts to enlist world public opinion in the struggle for Jews living in Arab lands.

Religious preparations for Rosh Hashana will begin in earnest on Saturday night with the first seihot (penitence) services to be held at midnight in most synagogues. Thereafter until Yom Kippur they will be held at dawn each day.

(Israel Radio will carry live the seihot service from the Great Synagogue in Tel Aviv on Saturday at 11.05 p.m.)

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Eban meets Zaire envoy

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

Foreign Minister Abba Eban met with the Zaire Ambassador General N'Kulufa yesterday in the first of a series of talks he will hold with African envoys before flying to attend the U.N. General Assembly in New York. Mr. Eban hopes to confer with several African Foreign Ministers in New York in an effort to stem the spread of anti-Israeli sentiment in Africa.

Officials reported that Mr. Eban had expressed his satisfaction to the ambassador at the warm tenor of a meeting in Kinshasa on Wednesday between Zaire President Mobutu and Israel Ambassador Shimon Moratt. Mr. Moratt took his leave from President Mobutu before ending his tour of duty.

The warmth of General Mobutu's reception of Israel's envoy is taken in Jerusalem as signifying that recent rumours of an imminent worsening of relations between Kinshasa and Jerusalem were unfounded. These rumours circulated during and after the Non-aligned summit in Algiers this month.

Israel maintains a youth-cadre training programme in Zaire and some agricultural assistance programmes. Military training assistance was terminated earlier this year.

Foca Hirsch fine unchanged despite opposing appeals

The Supreme Court Wednesday rejected appeals by both the defence and the prosecution against a 111,000 fine imposed on Foca Hirsch for refusing to give information to the police.

At the same time, the court criticized the manner in which income tax investigators, accompanied by television crews, raided the office and residences of the 64-year-old Tel Aviv businessman and his wife in May last year.

The tax men found Hirsch unconscious. Later, he refused to answer investigators who questioned him about alleged foreign currency violations. He was convicted by the Tel Aviv District Court, which fined him the maximum 111,000.

The prosecution appealed, asking that a suspended sentence be added to the fine. Hirsch appealed against his conviction, saying he was justified in refusing to reveal information which might incriminate him.

The court ruled that the conviction would stand, since the law intends to prevent people from hiding crimes. However, it refused to increase his penalty because of the irregular manner in which the investigation was conducted. (Itim)

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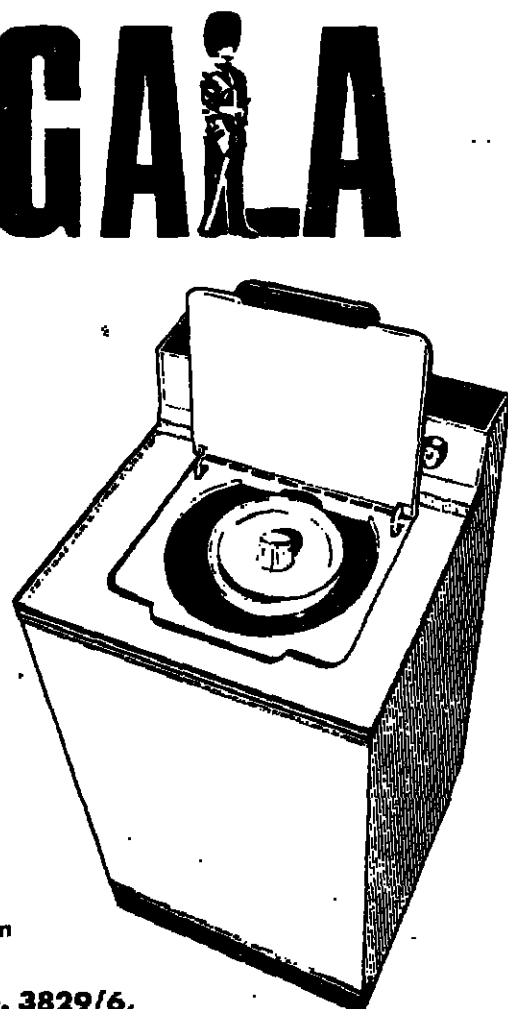
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Labour branches pick Knesset candidates

By MARK SEGAL
Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The Labour Party's main urban branches nominated their Knesset candidates yesterday. They will now be incorporated in the Knesset list by the party appointments committee chaired by Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir. The candidates chosen belong to the ex-Mapam majority, the smaller ex-Rafi and ex-Ahdut HaAvoda factions having already made their choice.

The Tel Aviv branch council's first choice was Ari Ankori, 70 votes. Young Yosef Sarid got 61 with branch secretary Dov Ben-Meir and local women's candidate Ora Namir getting 55 each. The appointments committee will have to decide who gets precedence.

The Tel Aviv branch has two vacant seats to fill, those of Ze'ev Haring and Menachem Cohen.

Mr. Ben-Meir found himself the target of a smear campaign directed by Labour council secretary Uri

Alpert, who almost lost his seat to Ben-Meir a month ago.

The Jerusalem branch easily re-elected its chief, Moshe Baran, for a further Knesset term and filled Mordechai Zar's vacant seat by choosing another Iranian immigrant, city councillor Havi Shimoni.

The prospects of Rabbi Menachem Hacohen, head of the Histadrut Haoved Hadati faction, for a safe Knesset seat are excellent. Informed party sources said last night that Rabbi Hacohen's faction did well in the recent Histadrut elections, and he has proven himself highly popular both as head of the Histadrut religious affairs department and as Rabbi of the Moshav Movement.

In Haifa, incumbent M.K. Moshe Wertman and Moshe Shaleh as well as Mrs. Rahael Adiv, who is presently a city council member, were selected for "safe" places. Mr. Almoz will also be a "safe" candidate, but on behalf of the party Centre, and not as a Haifa representative.

Backing for Ben-Aharon mobilized

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Mapam and ex-Ahdut HaAvoda have started quietly mobilizing activists in works committees to organize demonstrations of support for Histadrut Secretary General Yitzhak Ben-Aharon for another term and against the Labour Party leadership. Well informed Labour sources last night recalled the demonstrations which followed Ben-Aharon's resignation threat two years ago over the Prime Minister's intervention to settle the canning industry strike.

Since the drop in Labour Alignment votes in the recent Histadrut elections it is more dependent than before on Mapam for its majority rule of the Labour federation.

The spectre of a possible split in the Labour Party over Ben-Aharon's ultimatum to be reconfirmed in office before the Knesset elections is also being raised by his supporters. Mrs. Ben-Aharon at her part telephoned Mr. Ben-Aharon at his kibbutz home as a gesture of goodwill. She reassured him, saying: "Don't leave, there is no reason for it. No one is pushing you. Nothing has changed since the Histadrut elections. We will yet drink 'leha-yim'."

He accuses the party leadership of having deserted him and insists on their coming to heel. His resignation having now been postponed indefinitely, he is ostensibly on leave awaiting the Party's verdict.

However, he was already back in town yesterday, conferring with his supporters. He was back in his fifth-floor office in the Histadrut Executive Building, only 48 hours after clearing out his desk and declaring "I will never return to this room again."

He received a delegation of works committees. The atmosphere was restrained with the delegation urging the Labour Party "to create the conditions facilitating Ben-Aharon's remaining in office." For his part Mr. Ben-Aharon urged them to work hard for the Alignment campaign.

Last night the ex-Ahdut HaAvoda Deputy Secretary-General Avraham Giveler and Kibbutz Hameud Secretary Danny Kischko called on Labour Party Secretary-General Aharon Yadin to advise him of their Kibbutz Secretariat's decision to back Mr. Ben-Aharon's bid for another term. Mr. Yadin replied that the Labour Party was bound by its decisions to elect the Secretary-General after the Knesset elections and when the 12th Histadrut Convention assembles.



Scene at the Tel Aviv central bus station yesterday, with strike-bound buses jammed at passenger platforms.

HOW THE BUS STRIKE HIT THE CITIES Traffic jams choke Tel Aviv

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Mammoth traffic jams developed here from the very early hours of the morning because of the bus strike. Thousands of cars were backed up at the approaches to the city, managing to inch forward only at a snail's pace.

Drivers who usually leave the car at home and travel to work by bus, had to drive themselves yesterday. In addition, their routes lengthened as they transported other members of the family to work or school.

Families without cars were left without any means of transport. Some parents borrowed their children's bicycles to get to work and let their youngsters walk to school. Some — but certainly not most — drivers stopped to give hitchhikers a lift. Taxicabs were a rarity and there was a scramble for those that

did appear. Cab drivers became choosy, refusing out-of-town rides in favour of more profitable short routes within town. Sherut taxis disappeared and only individual fares were taken. Passengers who complained about farehikes were told bluntly that if they did not like it they could get out. Sherut cabs disappeared altogether.

Truck drivers piled the busy Dan number 5 route. A ride from the central bus terminal to Dizengoff circle yesterday cost IL1 in an uncomfortable truck instead of 35 agora on a bus.

But the trucks did a brisk business as thousands of people who managed to get in from the suburbs to the central bus terminal found themselves stranded there. Long lines developed and several fist fights developed between people trying to push their way on to trucks, taxis or cars. Some cars appeared at the

terminal in the early afternoon when it was announced that Transport Minister empowers ate drivers to take fares.

Work at factories and offices hampered by the absence of many teachers could not get to work. Among the pupils worst affected were the school students, who often travel to school. The problem worse in the early afternoon those who did manage to get to school in the morning, c

Despite the inconvenience by the strike, most people by this reporter felt the moment ought under no circumstances to give in to what they "the bus cooperative's bl People advocated tough r including the dismantling monopolistic cooperatives.

Veteran Mapam leaders Ya'ari, Hazan stand down

Jerusalem Post Political Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Mapam's two veteran leaders — Meir Ya'ari and Ya'acov Hazan — will not stand for the Eighth Knesset, after being in the house since statehood. Another Mapam leader, Absorption Minister Nathan Peled, is also standing down.

Mapam sources indicate that the party's two candidates for Cabinet posts would be Shlomo Rosen, now Deputy Absorption Minister, for the kibbutz wing of Mapam, and Health Minister Victor Shemtov for the urban branches. Mapam is believed to have its eye on the Labour Ministry in the next government.

The Mapam Central Committee vote on its seven safe Knesset seats was put off because of the bus

strike yesterday. Party sources indicated that the seats of Ya'ari and Hazan will be taken by Mapam Secretary-General Meir Talmi and senior Histadrut official Aharon Ephrat, with Haya Grossman, Dov Zaklin and Deputy Health Minister Abdul Aziz Zoubi keeping their seats.

Veteran M.K. Reuven Arzi is not a candidate, and his seat is being contested by Histadrut man Yehuda Yudin and party Political Secretary Naftali Feder. A favourite for the seventh place is Eliezer Ronen, director of the Jerusalem Development Company. The eighth place will probably go to poet Elazar Granot, a popular figure in Kibbutz Artzi.

Haifa Labour Party 'safe' seats named

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Labour Party's Haifa branch council on Wednesday night approved its candidates for "safe" seats on the party's list of candidates for the Knesset and municipal elections.

In accordance with the demand of the party's mayoral candidate, Labour Minister Yosef Almogi, seven new candidates were chosen for inclusion in the first 17 places on the Municipal slate, besides Mr. Almogi himself. Mr. Almogi argued that he must have the prerogative of choosing the candidates he needs to carry out the programme he has promised the voters.

The new candidates are: Professor Yosef Karni of the Technion;

Avigdor Bartel, general manager of the Oil Refineries; Mrs. Miriam Ben-Petret of Haifa University; Menachem Gottlieb, engineer and contractor; the Arab lawyer Jamil Shalhoub; Moshe Sherlag, representing the Kibbutz Eliezer quarter; and Dr. Leo Gerasi, a physician specializing in industrial medicine.

The Alignment has 14 members on the present Council, including one Mapam representative, and expects to pick up several more seats. The Mapam candidate will be 18th on the Alignment's list this time, and this election is thus uncertain. Present Mayor Yeruhim Zeisel and his deputy Avraham Sakchin were given second and fourth places respectively on the list.

COURTS STRIKE

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Employees of the courts and execution offices in Jerusalem, Haifa and Beersheba yesterday announced they will renew a partial strike to back a pay claim, starting today, and will receive the public only until 10 a.m. instead of until 1 p.m.

The announcement came after a meeting between them and the Justice Minister yesterday failed to produce agreement.

Haifaite use the Carmelit

By YAA'AOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The traffic jams caused by the strike were alleviated to some extent by the Carmelit subway link between the Carmelit center-Badar and downtown areas. The Carmelit carried more passengers than usual, mainly during the rush hours.

The number of rail passengers was considerably lower than usual, apparently because of the difficulties in getting to and from the station, a railways spokesman said.

The three privately-owned Arab bus companies plying the Haifa-Nazareth route continued to operate with all their available buses. "We do not consider the strike necessary," a spokesman of one of the firms told The Post. The companies employ drivers, who get monthly wages. Egged men made no attempt yesterday to interfere with their service.

Some owners of trucks and trucks fitted for passenger carrying ran services between Haifa and the Bay Side suburbs, charging rather more than the usual bus fares.

Your reporter toured the Hadar and downtown areas between 11 and 1 in the afternoon, and had to walk most of the way. Sherut taxis appeared to have disappeared and only a minority of drivers answered the Transport Minister's call to take passengers. But I heard of no case of any of them asking for fares, as they were entitled to do, from 11 a.m. On the other hand, school children found private car drivers ready to help them return home.

The most remarkable phenomenon was that there were far fewer

pedestrians aboard than usual, and traffic was almost exclusively vehicular, as everybody who did not have to go out appeared to prefer to stay home. One downtown barber shop which is usually crowded, especially towards the end of the week, was doing only slack business yesterday.

Workers in large industrial plants in the north were not affected wherever the companies had private transport agreements with Egged, as these were unaffected by the strike.

From Tiberias, David Slav reports: Most workers reached their jobs in industrial plants in the Jordan Valley by special bus, and the labour camp there reported few absences. Pupils and teachers arrived at school here either on foot or in trucks provided by the municipality. Parents who drove their children

to school took neighbours' as well.

Civilians at bus stops and at "lift points" were given private cars. But some were caught in the town strike were unable to reach time for their planes. The service was unable to provide more than two additional cars to Tel Aviv.

In the Haifa bayside an and of factory and office arrived on bicycles, their children's. Many private owners picked up passengers at the bus stops free c

In Nazareth the local company put in extra rural centres in the Upper Galilee hit patients who go for medical treatment and others who had urgent elsewhere in the country.

Arab workers kept from job

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

About half of the 50,000-strong Arab working force employed in Israel were unable to go to work yesterday as a result of the bus cooperative strike.

The bulk of the Arab workers affected by the strike came from the Nablus district and Gaza. The majority is employed far beyond "the green line" in construction work and canning factories.

Unaffected by the bus strike were workers employed in the vicinity of Jerusalem who travelled by Arab-owned transportation, including buses which operate throughout the administered areas but not inside

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The Arab bus companies day reported a considerable number of passengers, esp West Bank urban routes w ged normally also operates.

In Gaza, labourers crowd trains to get to their places and sought transport by passenger cars. Internal b port both in the Strip and shoba (which has a mun company) operated normal inter-urban travel was mainly by taxis, some charged as much as IL11 trip from Beersheba to Tel

Business drops in Jerusalem

By ERNIE MEYER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Jerusalem merchants complained of a 30 per cent drop in business yesterday morning because of the bus strike. Avraham Birnbaum, Secretary of the Jerusalem Merchants Association, noted also that about 20 per cent of employees could not get to work.

Mr. Birnbaum said the strike was unjustified and that the Government "should either nationalize the bus cooperatives or allow other companies to enter the field and break their monopoly."

At the usually bustling Mahane Yehuda, food market, vendors com-

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Jerusalem school dispute ends

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A threatened protest at Jerusalem's municipality by religious parents was called off yesterday after Mayor Kollek promised the parents to accept the main points of recommendations of a Ministry of Education and Municipality committee set up to resolve a dispute over the Paula Ben-Gurion School.

The Education Ministry-Municipality committee has recommended

that a new religious school be built in the Kiryat Shmuel-Rascoe area and that it be amalgamated with the Evelina de Rothschild girls' school.

A new State general school is to be built in Givat Mordechai. Kiryat Shmuel youngsters are to go to the existing religious elementary school in Givat Mordechai until the Paula Ben-Gurion school is completed in a few months.

Golani march win first prize

The Golani Brigade's square manders course won first prize in the Three Day March. Prize winners were: Female — Northern Command; Male — Northern Command; 3000 groups — El Al; Female groups — Jordan Valley Mixed civilian groups; Isra tion Industries.

EGYPTIAN WARSHIP

(Continued from page 1)

anything beyond such large-sized objects as the silhouettes of the guns or the ship's superstructure.

"It takes a lot of imagination to conceive just what may be hidden behind all that overgrowth. It's twilight down there. I entered the cabin, located just under the forward gun, and also went onto the bridge. Its planing is still intact but the main steering wheel which I was trying to bring up is missing. Either some souvenir hunters were down there before us or it was shattered by the force of the explosion," Daba said.

He also said, "I tried to pry open some of the other cabin doors and get down to the engine rooms. But my time ran out before I could get down that far. There is still plenty of ammunition and live charges lying around on deck, almost undisturbed, and there are either two 2.5s or what is more likely, 30mm, anti-aircraft guns Italian warship, also dating to World War I, in the same vicinity.

both sides of the bridge.

"All the lifeboats and rafts are gone. It seems to me as if everybody who was on board, including casualties, managed to get away before the boat sank or at least managed to jump overboard and were probably picked up by one of the fleet of Gaza boats which probably came out to their rescue," Daba concluded.

According to the official reconstruction of the incident, the explosion set off by Bin-Nun's charge ripped a gaping hole in the rear end and sent the ship to the bottom in less than four minutes.

The Andromeda club members intend to make a systematic exploration of the ship.

Other submerged wrecks which the club wishes to look for and explore are the hull of a submarine, believed by Abu Issa to be a German vessel sunk during World War I off Deir al Ballah, and an Italian warship, also dating to World War I, in the same vicinity.

Two dead in road accident

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A woman was killed on We night when the car in which she was travelling drove into a deep carrying iron poles.

Masruda Krispin, 45, of was sitting beside her husband's Sussita when they spotted jeep backing towards them. She tried to avoid the jeep by jumping out of the car, but the iron poles jutting out crashed through the Sussita's screen and impaled her. She instantly.

In another accident on 1 day, an unidentified 16-year was knocked down and killed taxi of El Arish.

MEAT DEALERS have been buying fatted lambs from tribes in the Negev. Some sheep are now being grazed tribes in the south.

In deep sorrow, I announce the passing of my dear wife,
PAULINE
The funeral will leave today at 11 a.m. from the Sanhedria Funeral Parlour; interment at Har Hamenuhot, Jerusalem.
ALBERT ROSE
HA'OREL, MT. ZION, JERUSALEM.

In deep sorrow, we announce the sudden death of
HELENA ARP (née Roseveld)
at the age of 76.
The funeral will leave Rothschild Hospital, Haifa, today, September 21, 1973 at 10.45 a.m.
The Children and Grandchildren, Holland, Friends at Beth-Joes, Haifa, Max Bonn

The Management and Staff of
WILHELM ROSENSTEIN Ltd.
remember in deep sorrow the 10th Anniversary of the death of the Founder of the Firm

Wilhelm Rosenstein

There will be a memorial service and headstone unveiling at the grave of
JONATHAN ABRAHAMS
Liverpool, ex-Carmel College
on Monday, October 1, at 4 p.m. at the Holon Cemetery
Friends and old Carmelites in Israel are invited to be present.

On the first Yahrzeit of our beloved
RABBI WILLIAM DRAZIN
Chairman of the Ramat Gan Religious Council
Former President of the Rabbinical Council of America
a memorial service will be held at his graveside, Sanhedria Cemetery, Jerusalem, on Sunday, September 23, 1973 (26 Elul 5733) at 3.30 p.m.
THE FAMILY

In deepest sorrow we announce the passing away of my beloved husband, our father, grandfather and great grandfather
ARIE LEO KLUGER
The funeral will take place today, Friday, September 21, 1973 at 10.15 a.m., at the Haifa Old Cemetery, main gate.
Engenie Kluger
Erich and Alex Kluger
Miriam and Erich Karoly
Eran Karoly
Anath Shay and Sharon Mor

The Weizmann Institute of Science
mourns the untimely passing of
THEO LEFEVRE
former Prime Minister of Belgium
and
President of the Belgium Committee for the Weizmann Institute of Science,
and extends its heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family.

The South African Zionist Federation Israel
Executive and Staff
share in the grief of their General Secretary,
LEIB FRANK
on the death of his mother
ADA FRANK

The Israel Office of the British and Australian Zionist Federations
express profound condolences to
Leib Frank
Director of the Israel Office of the South African Zionist Federation
on the passing of his
MOTHER

World Mizrahi
Hapoel Hamizrachi Organization
Union of Rabbis-Olim
from Western Countries
Solomon-Mirsky families
Headstone Unveiling
Rabbi Prof. SAMUEL K. MIRSKY
and his wife
SHULAMIT (née Solomon)
Monday, September 24, 1973 at 4 p.m.
Eretz Haim Cemetery, Beit Shemesh, Near Jerusalem.
Transport will leave from Beit Meir, King George Ave., at 3.30 p.m.
Members of families, Talmidim and friends invited to attend.



scene yesterday morning at the Duke of York's Barracks, home base for the 3rd Battalion of the Parachute Regiment, where a bomb damaged the transport section of the base and started a fire in a two-story building.

Bomb in army jeep injures five as barracks blasted in Chelsea

LONDON (UPI). — Bombers blasted an army barracks in Chelsea yesterday, injuring four soldiers and a soldier in the biggest explosion reported in London's long history of bomb attacks, it was said.

Notland Yard warned the public new letter bombs could be in mail and received reports of more than 150 suspicious packages.

Dublin, former Irish Republic, army leader Sean MacStiofain, who has been named by the Irish press as the mastermind of the campaign, denied any involvement.

If they (the IRA) were responsible, the amount of damage would have been much greater, he told a newspaper reporter.

The Chelsea bomb, the 53rd in a series since mid-August, exploded just as an army Land Rover, carrying four soldiers, was driving past.

The explosion, which was heard in the area, caused a fire in the building and damaged the transport section of the base.

ed the head of a sergeant inside the barracks.

All five were taken to a local hospital, but were released after treatment.

An army bomb expert said the bomb weighed up to 10 kg, which would make it four times larger than any of the previous bombs that exploded in London.

The bomb campaign opened in London in mid-August with a series of small incendiary devices being discovered in major department stores, but quickly escalated to letter bombs and more powerful explosive devices.

More than 25 persons have been injured in the blasts, but so far no one has been killed although a bomb expert injured in a Birmingham blast earlier this week remained in critical condition yesterday, police said.

Security forces have expressed grave reservations about security arrangements at the army house, where Princess Anne will occupy with her new husband, Buckingham Palace said yesterday.

It said there was as yet no change in the plan for the Queen's daughter and Capt. Mark Phillips to move after their honeymoon

into Grove House, an army-owned house at Sandhurst. Phillips is to become an instructor at the Army Academy there. But Buckingham Palace said the question of security at the house was "under discussion."

Ulster rivals try to avert faction war

BELFAST (UPI). — Leaders of Northern Ireland's militant Protestant groups met yesterday in a last-chance effort to prevent an internal gang war between the rival factions, political sources said.

Ulster Defence Association (UDA) officials said open fighting could break out unless a rapid compromise is reached.

Army sources meanwhile yesterday identified Kevin Mallon, who was picked up by Dublin police on Monday, as the second most important man in the Provisional IRA command structure. They said he assumed this position following the imprisonment of Seamus Twomey in the Irish Republic two weeks ago.

The crisis in the militant Protestant ranks primarily stems from a dispute between the UDA and the more extreme Ulster Volunteer Force (UVF) over the assassination of UDA leader Tommy Herron.

Officials in the UDA have said they are convinced that Herron, whose body was found on Sunday, was killed by UVF gunmen and demanded that they be punished.

"This, coupled with the future policies of both groups, forms the crux of the meeting," one political source said.

With Herron, who was considered a moderate by the more extreme UDA elements, out of the way, the source said the UDA might adopt a more hard-line stance towards the violence.

Kissinger denies policy to bar Arab students

WASHINGTON (UPI). — Henry Kissinger, Secretary of State-designate, said in a statement yesterday there is no policy to deny visas to Arab students, and only a handful of visas have been denied as a result of anti-terrorist measures.

Kissinger's written statement was made in response to questions on screening procedures asked by James Abourezk (Democrat, South Dakota), the only Senator of Arab descent.

Kissinger said: "There is no policy to deny visas to Arab or other foreign students. As one of the measures adopted to combat terrorism, certain visa applications of whatever kind — student, tourist, temporary worker — are subject to special screening procedures that delay, usually for a few days, such applications."

"Only a handful of visas have been denied as a result of this screening procedure. If the Arab student applicant is otherwise qualified, he receives his visa."

Concorde shown in Caracas, Dallas

CARACAS (AP). — The needle-nosed supersonic Anglo-French Concorde airliner left Caracas yesterday morning for Dallas, Texas.

The Concorde arrived here on Tuesday from Paris and was on public display on Wednesday at the Maqueta International airport, which serves this Venezuelan capital.

The aircraft went to Texas for the inauguration of the Dallas International Airport. The purpose of its visit here was to attract purchases by local airline companies. But the Air France spokesman said that no orders for the plane have been placed yet.

Gov't troops fall back on Phnom Penh

PHNOM PENH. — Cambodian insurgents consolidated their hold on Highway 5 yesterday, capturing nearly 6 km of the road left by retreating government troops, field reporters said.

The High Command, however, reported some progress in pushing back Cambodian rebels in the besieged provincial capital of Kompong Cham.

Field reports said about 600 government troops, low on ammunition and food, retreated down Highway 5 towards Phnom Penh, establishing a front about 43 km north-west of the capital. Other government troops retreated towards the north on Highway 5.

Col. Am Rong, High Command spokesman, said government forces continued to push insurgents from the outer limits of Kompong Cham, 80 km north-west of the capital. He said government forces took an engineering camp, hoping to link up with government troops cut off at the airport, 5 km, outside the city.

Elsewhere, fighting was reported to have tapered off in Indo-China.

In Saigon, the South Vietnamese government threatened military action against 12 airfields it claims the North Vietnamese have built in the northern part of South Vietnam.

The Government made public a note it sent on September 7 to the guarantors of the Vietnam peace agreement. The note declared that development of the airfields and movement of troops and war equipment into territory below the demilitarized zone amount to "intensive warlike preparations to reopen hostilities."

Last week the government released what it said were aerial photographs of the 12 airfields.

The government yesterday also announced it was releasing Mrs. Ngo Ba Thanh, an outspoken critic of President Nguyen Van Thieu's regime, on bail.

Mrs. Thanh, 42, is reported to have abstained for the last five months from all solid foods as a protest against her imprisonment.

ARRESTED IN 1971. She was arrested in 1971, during an anti-government demonstration outside the National Assembly. She had been released the day before after a month in jail for assaulting a judge and previously had spent more than two years in prison for anti-Thieu activities.

Four months ago the Government announced Mrs. Thanh, along with former Assembly Member Tran Ngoc Chau and student leader Huynh Tan Nam, would be handed over to the Vietcong in a prisoner exchange. All three protested that they were not communists and should be allowed to remain in Saigon, and their release was cancelled.

Although a government spokesman said Mrs. Thanh is now free on bail, her husband said she had not been released yet because of procedural matters which are expected to take several days.

(UPI Reuter)

'Cod War' heats up

REYKJAVIK (AP). — The British Royal Navy frigate Lincoln made repeated attempts to ram the Icelandic gunboat Aegir in disputed waters off the North Atlantic island on Wednesday, the coastguard charged early yesterday.

The Aegir "narrowly avoided a collision," the coastguard said.

The Icelandic Government warned Britain last week that it would sever diplomatic relations and close the British Embassy in Reykjavik if any of the frigates protecting British trawlers rammed a coast-guard ship.

The reported incident was the latest in several clashes between the Royal Navy and Icelandic gunboats within Iceland's unilaterally declared 81-km fishing limit. Britain refuses to recognize that limit, only the internationally-recognized 70-km limit.

OIL. — Belgian Prime Minister Edmond Leburton arrived in Tehran yesterday for an eight-day official visit at the invitation of Iranian Premier Amir Abbas Hoveida, and is expected to discuss expanded trade, particularly in oil and economic cooperation between the two countries, among other subjects.

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Chile junta's thoughts turn to food

By ARI EATH

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

SANTIAGO. — Chile on Wednesday marked its Armed Forces National Holiday, which in previous years was celebrated by mass festivities, as a regular working day. All shops were opened and everybody showed up for work. In response to the junta's call for "national reconstruction," which is one of the new popular slogans.

Chile's military leaders turned their attention to speeding up deliveries of food and other essential supplies into Santiago and other cities.

WRK long queues still outside the food shops on Wednesday, Colonel Pedro Ewing, Secretary-General to the Government, said authorities were trying to solve supply problems as a first priority.

He said there was a possibility some items would be rationed. The new government was determined to eliminate the black market which flourished during the closing stages of the government of Socialist President Salvador Allende, toppled in

last week's military coup.

Santiago's downtown streets were crowded with people going about their business, but there was very little buying, since everybody is uncertain what the value of his money will be under the new regime. Those people who had bought dollars on the black market before the coup at a rate as high as 2,300-2,500 escudos per dollar (against the official exchange rate of 350 per dollar) are still holding on to their American money, which has fallen to about 1,500 escudos per dollar.

The military junta has not said anything about its plans to deal with Chile's galloping inflation, which is climbing at a record rate of one per cent per day.

The first slightly calming economic news was published on Wednesday with the announcement of a \$60m. loan from the Interamerican Development Bank. The junta has told foreign embassies here that medical supplies and food, mainly wheat, are top priority on its list of purchases, with medical supplies given first preference.

This is yet another indication that the hospitals have to deal with thousands of wounded, despite the fact that a highly placed spokesman of the junta still had no new casualty figures to tell the press.

The military stands firm on its figure of 95 people killed during the fighting last week.

Although medical supplies had been low in most hospitals, even before the coup, there is no question that the urgent need for blood plasma and other medications is caused by the high casualty figure.

The military authorities continued to insist the situation was normal all over the country. Aroused to quash what they term "false reporting" of the situation, the military on Wednesday pulled in two foreign journalists to point out "errors" in the copy filed since censorship was lifted.

Miss Marilise Simons, correspondent of the "Washington Post," was held for three and a half hours in the Defence Ministry here, then released, but with her journalist's safe conduct withdrawn from her.

Georges Dupuy of the French daily "Le Figaro" was questioned about an article of his which was apparently quoted by Moscow Radio.

No critical shortage, wheat 'haves' claim

ROME (Reuter). — Leading delegates of the world's largest wheat exporting countries, meeting here to discuss the danger of a major world grain shortage, yesterday reportedly agreed that the world wheat supply situation was better than previously feared.

The urgent 10-day meeting, attended by about 20 delegates from the five main exporting countries, still has to tackle the thorny problem of how vulnerable developing nations could pay the soaring grain prices, even if they could obtain adequate export supplies in a tight world market, conference sources said.

The meeting, called by Dr. Addeke Boerma, Director-General of the U.N. Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), was attended by delegates from Argentina, Australia, Canada, France and the U.S., along with delegates from the European Common Market Commission, the World Food Programme and the International Wheat Council.

Dr. Boerma has warned the participating countries that developing nations must obtain their minimum essential cereal imports for 1973/74 if they are to avoid acute hardship, serious political and social instability, and possible starvation.

Reporting an overall improvement in the world wheat situation, the council on Wednesday revised its estimates upwards, putting availabilities at between 59 and 62 million tons and import requirements at between 62 and 65 million tons, leaving a maximum possible deficit of six million tons.

Earlier, both the council and the FAO had predicted that the available supplies of wheat would fall short of meeting requirements by as much as nine million tons — a deficit at which Dr. Boerma voiced "serious alarm."

U.S. Agriculture Secretary Earl Butts said on Wednesday night that his experts estimated that world grain exports would just about equal import demands this year at prevailing prices.

But authoritative conference sources stressed that even if supply did meet demand, the developing countries were likely to face serious problems in paying for their wheat imports, since prices had trebled in the last year.

In related developments, Sri Lanka

BANGLADESH LAW TO CENSOR PRESS

DACCA (Reuter). — The Bangladesh national parliament (Jatiya Sangsad) on Wednesday night passed a bill to regulate the conduct of the country's newspapers.

Opposition members described the measure as a "black law."

Under the new law the publication of newspapers will be subject to prior approval from the government.

Attempts by the parliamentary opposition and the Bangladesh Federation of Journalists to amend the bill have been unsuccessful.

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The following letter and photo were forwarded to *The Jerusalem Post* by Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek, who received it earlier this month.

Dear Sir,

I have just returned from a seven-week stay in Israel with the Camp Ramah Seminar. While in Jerusalem, I found on the ground near the Old City the enclosed photograph. Feeling very bad for the person who lost such an old and beautiful photograph, I picked it up... I could not leave it on the ground.

Though I realize that it is ridiculous to expect to find the owner of the picture, I am sending it to you in the hope that perhaps one of your departments can use it or perhaps even trace the owner.

BARBARA KIRSCHNER
Emerson, New Jersey.



Topless club outrages Beth Din

By DAVID LENNON
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. — A Jewish Workingmen's Club in Manchester has outraged the head of the Beth Din there by featuring topless waitresses at a stag party, despite his description of the event as "an abomination in the eyes of God."

The invitation to the event contained a drawing of a woman with her breasts bared under the headline "Get-them-off-Night" and "Bristol's Galore" (Bristol is slang for breasts) and offered patrons

"a troupe of naughty topless waitresses to pamper your every whim." Dayan I. Goldfisch told the organisers that to parade naked women in front of members of a Jewish Club would be a scandal and would lower the high reputation for dignity enjoyed by the Manchester Jewish Community.

He told them that if they proceed with this function they should rename the club "Workingmen's Club of Louts." Despite Dayan's plea that he was trying to save eight girls the embarrassment of walking around a crowded hall with their breasts uncovered, the event was held as scheduled.

Tel Aviv landmark, 'Vered,' closing down

TEL AVIV. — Cafe Vered, one of the city's landmarks at the corner of Dizengoff and Keren Kayemet is going out of business after over 25 years. This is the last of the well-known central European-style cafes to shut down in Tel Aviv.

The two-storey cafe will close down within a month. The cafe had been an important social centre and a meeting place for politicians, writers, journalists, theatre and film people, as well as agents of the (Shai) Hagana Intelligence.

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Musical chair game in Beersheba elections

By H. BEN-ADY
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. — With less than six weeks to go before the municipal elections here there is little to indicate the probable results. At the moment, with 17 seats to be filled and 27 candidates considering themselves in "safe places," it looks like a game of musical chairs.

The present Municipal Council comprises nine Alignment members (including three representatives of Mapam), in coalition with three members of the National Religious Party. The opposition is made up of three members of Gahal, one of Poalei Agudat Israel and one Independent.

The forecast at present is that the Likud is certain to obtain six seats while the National Religious Party is sure to get four. The Independent councillor and the representative of the Poalei Aguda seem likely to retain their seats. The Alignment admits they may either gain or lose one seat. In addition, the Oded party feels that it will get two seats while a new Rumanian Settlers Party is also convinced it will have two mandates. The Independent Liberals, who have never so far managed to get a foothold in Beersheba, hope for one place this time. Furthermore it should be remembered that Mr. Shalom Cohen declared on TV that the next Mayor of Beersheba would be a Black Panther.

The present Mayor, Mr. Eliyahu Navi, is very composed on the subject of the municipal elections. He told *The Jerusalem Post* in a special interview, that the people usually vote more for the man at the top than for the party as such. "I've been Mayor for 10 years," he said, "and the people of Beersheba know what I've done for the city."

Relations between Mayor Navi and his Mapam deputy, Zeev Zariz, are not very good.

There is not much unity within the Alignment and cliques are constantly forming and dissolving, but the other parties are in pretty much the same situation. The Likud is constantly switching its candidates from one place on the list to another, and the National Religious Party seems to be united only in its disunity.

The Russian settlers are likely to exercise a certain influence on the outcome of the elections. It looks as though most of the Georgians will vote for Poalei Agudat Israel, while the other Russians are nervous of anything having a socialist label.

There are 52,000 registered voters for this year's elections as against 41,000 in 1969. In addition there are 1,500 foreign residents who are entitled to vote. The turn-out at the 1969 poll was 80 per cent.



THE GREAT CAR ESCAPE — David Matthews survived by a miracle, but five seconds of terror will remain with him for the rest of his life. For that is as long as David stayed conscious when he crashed at 220 kph. in his Ford Capri on the eighth lap of a saloon race at Silverstone, England. Those seconds also probably saved his life, for during these brief moments after the initial impact, David instinctively activated the fire extinguishers which prevented the

car from bursting into flames after it came to an eventual standstill.

David described the incident as coming about when he tried to pass a Mini near the middle of Abbey Curve. "He drifted to the right hand side and I quietly went down the inside. My car veered sharp right and started to roll. The nearside dug in — and I can't remember anything else." David remembers nothing after that but witnesses and the pictures tell accurately what happened. The car cartwheeled several

times, turning over and over with hanging half in and half out, before to a shuddering, smoking, shapeless David, 29, whose racing career has over ten years, is now recovering at Unbelievably, his only injuries are a right ankle and a small break in his right shoulder. The car, worth £20,000 and was spearheading of Europe's saloon car development programme is a complete write-off. (Alan Ellis, Came)

England's new soccer squad contains few surprises

SIR ALF Ramsey in London this

week named Dave Watson of second Division F.A. Cup winner Sunderland as a surprise member of the 22-strong England soccer squad for the match against Austria at Wembley on September 26.

Watson apart, there were few surprises as team manager Sir Alf selected, tried and tested men who, in recent matches, have cast doubts on England's ability to qualify for the World Cup in Munich next year.

The Austrian game, a warm-up match for the World Cup qualifier against Poland on October 17 — which England must win if they are to go to Munich — is Ramsey's last chance to select a winning England team.

He has included Derby County's Colin Todd — recently reinstated for England selection following a two-year ban — and West Ham's stylish midfielder Trevor Brook-

ing, an England under-23 interna-

tional. Todd made his senior debut against Northern Ireland at Wembley in May 1971 but was banned from international football by the Football Association in 1972 after going on holiday with his family rather than tour Eastern Europe with the under 23 team.

This summer the F.A. reduced the ban to one year, clearing the way for his inclusion in the World Cup squad. He has been tipped as the likely successor to the 107-times-capped England skipper Bobby Moore who, despite problems with his London club West Ham, has been included in the England 22.

One other new face in the England squad is Derby County's Kevin Hector, a goal-scoring forward who began his soccer career with Leeds United before moving to prominence with County under the management of Brian Clough.

Peter Osgood of Chelsea, who last played for England in 1970 against Czechoslovakia, returns to the England 22 following several polished performances for Chelsea.

Chelsea's Alan Ball, a member of the 1966 England World Cup winning team, is included in the squad despite being under suspension and unable to play, and Sheffield United's Tony Currie is al-

most certain to fill the midfield

berth. Squad: goalkeepers Shilton (Leicester), Clemence (Liverpool), Madeley (Leeds), Story (Aston Villa), Hughes (Liverpool), Nish (Derby), McFarland (Derby), Moore (West Ham), Hunter (Leeds), Watson (Sunderland), Currie (Sheffield United), Peters (Tottenham), Bell (Manchester), Ball (Aston Villa), Toot (Derby), Brookings (West Ham), Clarke (Leeds), Chivers (Tottenham), Channon (Southampton), Osgood (Chelsea), Keegan (Liverpool), Hector (Derby).

TENNIS

EWONNE Goolagong, an Australian sheep shearer's daughter who skyrocketed to fame in women's tennis, has signed with the Pittsburgh Triangles of the fledgling world team tennis league, the U.S. club said this week.

"I feel this will mean as much to our league as the signing of Bobby Hull did to the world hockey association," said Chuck Reichblum, president of the Triangles.

Reichblum added at a news conference that the 22-year-old Miss Goolagong, who won the women's title at Wimbledon in 1971, had signed a "generous" multi-year contract. He declined to discuss specifics.

BASEBALL

U.S. STANDINGS
American League

	W	L
Baltimore	28	62
Boston	28	62
Chicago	28	71
Detroit	28	75
New York	28	75
Milwaukee	28	75
Cleveland	28	75
WEST	28	75
Oakland	28	75
Kansas City	28	75
Chicago	28	75
Minnesota	28	75
California	28	75
Texas	28	75

RESULTS

Milwaukee 7, Cleveland 4; Boston 3, 1st; California 5, 2nd; Boston 3, New York 1; Detroit 1; Chicago 4, Kansas 1; Oakland 4, Minnesota 1.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	W	L
Pittsburgh	28	74
Montreal	28	75
New York	28	77
St. Louis	28	77
Chicago	28	77
Philadelphia	28	77
WEST	28	77
Cincinnati	28	77
Los Angeles	28	77
San Francisco	28	77
Houston	28	77
Atlanta	28	77
San Diego	28	77

RESULTS

Chicago 4, Montreal 3; New York 3, 1st; San Diego 5, 2nd; Philadelphia 3, St. Louis 1; Pittsburgh 3; Los Angeles 1; Cincinnati 5, San

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Making schooling match the job

Max Wilde
Geneva

JOH of the student unrest in recent years has stemmed from a sharp awareness of maladjustment between educational systems, future employment, and of the evanescence of much that is inherent in education, says a report on "Re-orientation of the Attitudes of Young People" carried out by the School Psychology and Educational Research at Geneva University.

The whole question will be discussed at an International Conference on Education opening in Geneva today at which the Geneva University report will be one of the working documents.

In addition, Unesco has prepared a survey on secondary education and its relationship with training and based on replies to a questionnaire received from 52 member states. It shows that many countries recognize that secondary education conceived of mainly as a preparation for higher learning is a preparation for life. Indeed, 68 of the 68 countries showed non-anxiety about the relationship between education, training and employment; but their ideas on how to cope with the situation varied considerably.

The United States reported that 50 per cent of our high school students are in the so-called "vocational track," which prepares them to go to college, not to a job. Nearly two and a half million students leave each year without adequate preparation for careers.

In particular, it was recognized that U.S. secondary schools provide for the mobility and job careers demanded by a changing industrial society. France, the main concern is a bias in favour of arts leading to unemployment of graduates and a shortage of co-graduates. The problems are serious for developing countries short of qualified personnel.

ice so many secondary students go on to higher studies, the report says, it is striking that general or academic secondary education still has greater prestige than vocational and technical education.

is the position in many non-communist countries. The present general curriculum in Geneva conference working states, "was essentially created in the 19th century following 18th-century models and regional elements of the medieval curriculum near its centre."

63 countries have widely different views as to the reasons for poor fit between secondary education and employment but their identifying problem areas and proposed solutions, provide common ground. Some countries, such as Austria, are trying to shift the ratio of general education to vocational education and training, while others are tackling the problem of finding the right "mix" in secondary schools.

in countries where secondary education is early divided into streams, it is being made to introduce

technical and vocational studies into the general course. In the United States, Colombia and Nigeria and studies make up 20 per cent of the curriculum. Britain recently started "linked courses" in which pupils spend part of their time at secondary school and part in an institution of further education.

A more radical solution is the trend toward comprehensive secondary schools with a wide range of courses. Britain, Sweden and Canada already have well established comprehensives, and there is a clear trend towards them in Denmark, Egypt, Finland, Ghana, Iraq, Malta, Nigeria and Sierra Leone. Comprehensive schools help to solve the problem of pupils' need to transfer from one direction to another. But, says the survey, even where transfer is easy, the student still needs guidance to help him to make his choice. The Austrian reply sums up the problem as a lack of information about vocations as well as lack of training of vocational guidance counsellors.

A difficulty faced by many countries is the continuing separation of school life from working life. While Cuba, for instance, has developed secondary schools which combine study with agricultural work, and some other countries provide work-experience, practical work and visits to businesses, initiation to work during school life is still the exception and not the rule. Socialist (Communist) countries have created multiple links between secondary schools and industrial companies, where pupils go to work for several hours a week. The firms further help by equipping workshops and laboratories and sending specialists to give school courses.

Perhaps most serious of all, as Jan Versalis of the International Labour Organization's World Employment Programme states, many developing countries have recently shown a deteriorating employment situation. Whether the problem is unemployment, as in Sri Lanka, where graduates prefer to wait for the "proper" job for their qualifications, or under-employment, as in Peru, where people accept almost any job without using their acquired skills, it is clear that "the contribution of education to productivity and/or employment is very low indeed."

"It may very well be," concludes Versalis, "that spending resources directly on job creation would be found preferable to spending them on education. In other words, investing in the creation of a job for a person with, say, primary education may contribute more to his future well-being than providing him with a secondary education." (Observer Foreign News Service)

CONFIDENT PERON DOESN'T BOTHER TO CAMPAIGN

Andrew Tarnowski
Buenos Aires

GENERAL Juan Peron is so sure of victory in Argentina's presidential elections on Sunday that he has not even bothered to campaign. The only question is whether he will win an outright victory, with over 50 per cent of the poll, or will need a run-off vote.

The campaign, started on a low key by all four candidates, has almost dropped out of sight since last week's Chilean military coup. The coup has left Peronists, who last May emerged from seven years of army rule, keenly aware that their country is now surrounded by military regimes in Chile, Bolivia, Paraguay, Brazil and Uruguay.

Posters depicting the late President Salvador Allende of Chile dominate hoardings in the capital. The portraits of General Peron, his third wife Isabel (who is running as vice-presidential candidate) and his late second wife Evita — still the darling of the Argentine masses 21 years after her death — go virtually unnoticed.

The other candidates, their coffers bare for the second elections in just over six months, cannot even afford to put up posters. They are resorting to poorly-printed handbills carrying only the names of their candidates. "We will cover the walls with chalk," proclaimed Radical vice-presidential candidate Fernando de la Rúa at the start of the campaign. But even this promise has not been kept.

The only mass meetings in the capital during the past two weeks have been the recent nightly protest youth marches against the overthrow and death of Dr. Allende.

General Peron sent his wife Isabel on a whistle-stop tour of the provinces last week, but she is disliked by leftwingers and pulled only small crowds. According to press reports she was frequently shouted down.

Isabel, a 42-year-old former dancer and chorus girl who married General Peron during the early stages of his 18-year exile, could prove a burden to her aging husband at the polls, many Peronists believe. They profess shock at the idea of an ex-chorus girl succeeding as President if her husband dies in office, and say her nomination may prove a bad political mistake.

But no one doubts that General Peron, who reaches his 78th birthday two weeks after the elections, will win his third term as President of Argentina. The old charisma which won him the presidency in 1946 and 1951 still has a powerful hold despite the long years of exile.

General Peron is hoping for at least 60 per cent of the vote when just over 13 million Argentines go to the polls on Sunday. Anything less, his supporters fear, would damage his image as "the saviour of the fatherland" and seriously weaken his hand in attempting to restore unity to the Argentine.

The leftists, mainly the powerful Peronist youth movement, have shown signs of discontent at the markedly unrevolutionary line the Peronist Government has taken since May.

General Peron summoned their leaders earlier this month, condemning political violence and chastising them for factional squabbles. They marched out of his home chanting "Peron, Peron," apparently ready to spread unity as the order of the day — at least until the elections are over.

A few days earlier extreme leftwing unrest was emphasized when the Marxist People's Revolutionary Army (ERP) broke its



Election propaganda for Juan and Isabel Peron. The other candidates, their coffers bare, cannot even afford posters. (UPI)

six-month truce with the Peronist government and attacked Army Medical Headquarters here, killing a colonel.

General Peron is avoiding mass meetings to avert violence between left and right-wing factions in his movement, observers believe. The only meeting General Peron has had with the masses of his movement since his return was a 500,000-strong parade by Peronist youth and labour unionists to launch his campaign on August 31. For seven hours the ageing general stood waving as his supporters momentarily united to hail him with an explosion of jubilation.

The ordeal helped restore confidence in General Peron's health. Rarely seen in public since his return, he has admitted he has been suffering from a heart ailment and is still not allowed by his doctors to do a full day's work.

However, opposition candidates claim General Peron is over-confident. They say he will fail to get the required 50 per cent vote for outright victory and will have to face a run-off election against his nearest rival.

This is likely to be Radical Party leader Ricardo Balbin, 68, who last March came second with 21.29 per cent of the vote.

Thanks to a reduction in the number of candidates, Senor Balbin can expect a bigger vote this time. But he seems to have little chance of seriously challenging General Peron.

Third is expected to be Francisco Marique of the conservative Popular Federalist Alliance (APF), who took 4.9 per cent in March, and has been shrewdly critiquing the government's failure to lift Argentina out of the economic doldrums.

The fourth candidate, Senor Juan Carlos Coral of the Workers Socialist Party (PST), came eighth in March, but this time the leftwing protest vote could go to him. In public statements so far General Peron has said the country is in an emergency situation and will have an emergency government if he wins.

He has given little other indication of what his domestic policies will be, except for a statement smacking of prophecy the day before the Chilean coup. "The great mistake of many people, including my friend Salvador Allende, is to try and change the system. What you have to do slowly is change the structures which make up the system... You cannot change with your head because you will break it." (Reuters)

WAR DECLARED ON ELECTION POSTERS

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter

AVIV. — The Council for a Beautiful Israel and the Central Elections Committee have declared war on the election-time defacement of streets and have called on the public to report every instance of such political party posters are d anywhere but on the municipal hoardings.

ere were many instances during the Histadrut electoral campaign such placards have appeared on walls of public buildings and on staircases of private apartment houses. Campaign notices were nailed to trees, pasted on fences and on to the show-windows of shops, from which they have been difficult to remove.

worst offenders in this respect the Black Panthers, whose posters did not limit themselves to posters but decorated buildings throughout Tel Aviv with giant slogans inscribed spray cans. These cannot be ed off and the tax-payer must usually foot the bill. In some

places the damage is almost irreparable. Thus the Panthers sprayed one of their slogans in black paint on the marble front of the Helena Rubinstein Art Pavilion here. The original beauty of the marble will be lost when a tint is applied over it to cover the paint.

The Elections Committee spokesman has said that any party which wishes to gain the confidence of the public must also show that it is responsible and does not damage public property, whose upkeep is financed by taxpayers.

The committee and the Beautiful Israel Council have enlisted the help of the police to deal with such abuses. The Council will alert the police whenever informed of an illegally-pasted poster or of a painted inscription. Information about such violations can be phoned to the Council at (03)22-60-76 or sent in writing to "The Council for a Beautiful Israel" at 7 Levi-Yitzhak Street, Tel Aviv. Precise information of the location of the illegal election notice and of the party it publicizes is requested.

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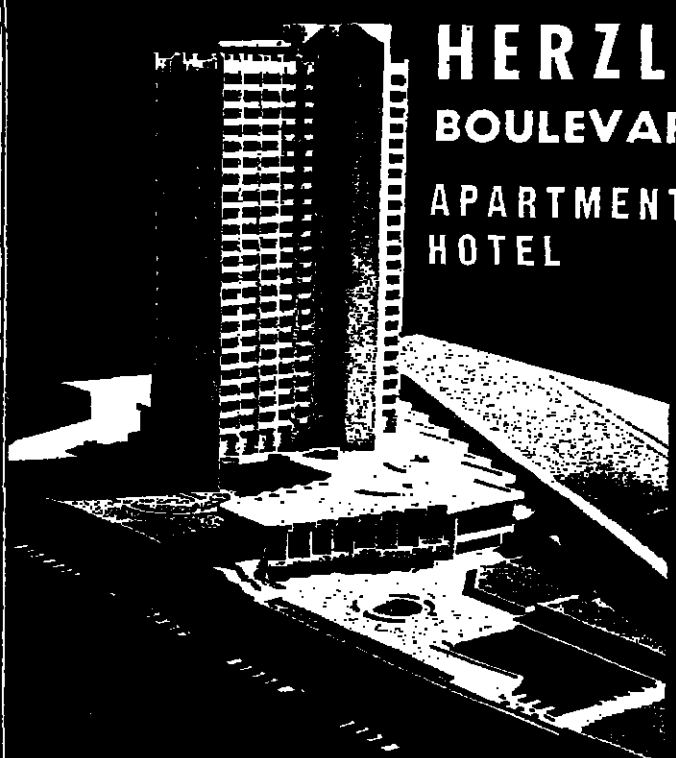
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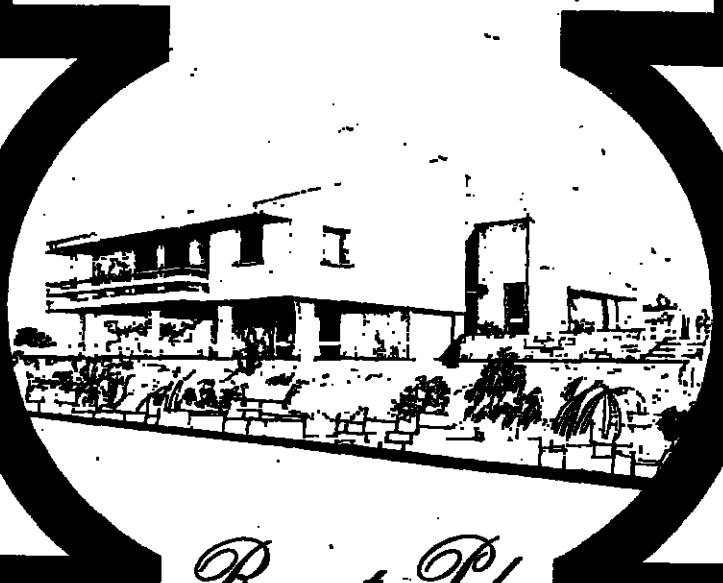
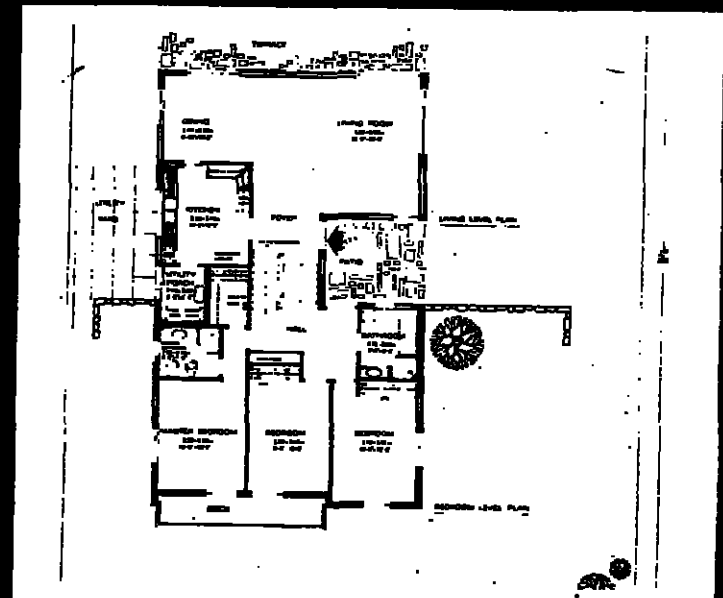
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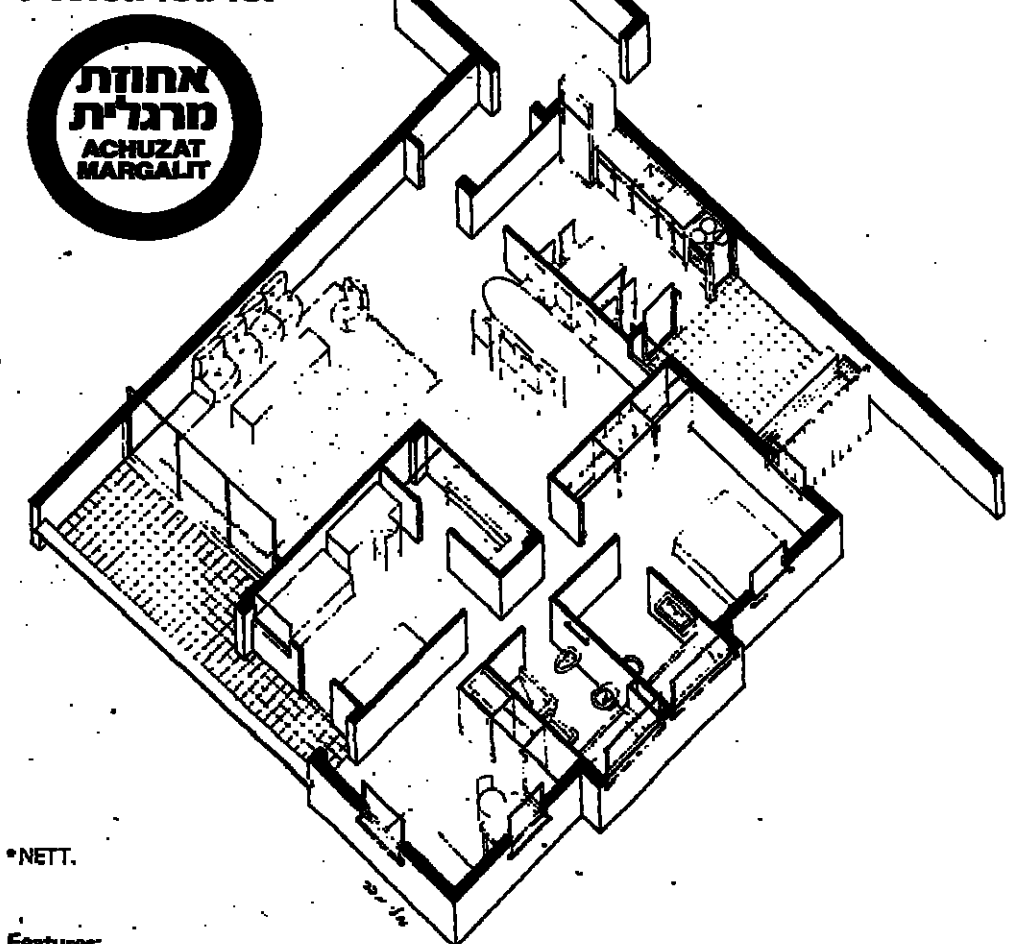
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Development of Israel company to be formed, Treasury affirms

By DAVID KRIVINE
Jerusalem Post Economic Correspondent

The Treasury has denied reports at ENCOPI, the International Company for the Development of Israel (the "Sini-share" Euro-investment company) will not set up.

Critics complain that the company expects excessive privileges, including 30 years' exemption from income tax. But "these tax benefits, which are already enjoyed by an Israel Corporation, will apply to any company that abides by the stipulated requirements," an official declared. (They involve mobili-

sing \$30m. in three years while selling shares for not less than \$100,000 each.)

"The necessary legislation to make the requirements mandatory is not through the Knesset yet, but the Continuity Law will be invoked, so that the coming Knesset can complete deliberations without delay," the official said.

Avraham Agmon, Director-General of the Treasury, was interviewed by The Jerusalem Post on Wednesday about these exemptions, which include a smaller tax holiday, of five years, for all approved enterprises, and also cheap Gov-

ernment loans. He pointed out that the test is pragmatic. The incentives are confined to equity investments in industry or tourism — and they are badly needed. "A foreign resident can get 10.5 per cent in foreign currency on a large deposit just by leaving it in the bank."

Capital does in fact tend to stay in bank deposits, or go to the real-estate business, which enjoys no tax privileges at all. Private investment in Israel's industry is, if anything, declining this year — "so the tax rebates cannot be as attractive as they look," he said.

Mr. Agmon stressed that stockholders in the Israel Corporation have received no dividends on which the tax holiday could apply, during the five years since the group was founded — because their money goes to serious long-term development, not to speculation.

"We have, after all, to compete with the temptations that other countries offer," he referred to a recent issue of the American magazine "Forbes" (of May 15), which says that in Britain's development areas "the alert can get straight cash handouts for capital investments, 100 per cent depreciation the first year, a government subsidy of \$10 a week slipped into each employee's pay packet, a rent-free, government-built factory and as a final sweetener, the government may pay his moving-in expenses." The paper concludes: "Taking all government aids together, a company need pay out no more than \$100 for every \$250 of investment."

Turning to Belgium, the article observes that 41 out of the country's 43 regions are classified as areas in need of special aid. Apart from credit guarantees, capital grants, reduced capital gains tax, and exemption from property tax, the Belgian Government subsidizes loans. The going rate is 7.9 per cent, but only a quarter of the credit costs the full amount. The investor needs to pay a mere one per cent on the remaining three-quarters.

Also, "under a recent law, a company developing new technology, carrying out a merger or promoting an export business (our italics) may be able to get a completely interest-free loan covering 80 per cent of its investment. Moreover, over such a company need not be in any development area at all. It can be anywhere in Belgium."

According to Mr. Agmon, investors in the province of Quebec, Canada, (considered an area which needs industrialization) get a Government grant equal to the sum of their placement.

He concludes: "We in Israel do not plan to change one iota of the incentives given to investors." Apart from everything else, ringing constant changes in the rules would mean killing the chicken that lays the golden eggs. Anyway, Israel needs \$100m. of foreign investment in industry over the next five years. It is getting half that sum — and no effort will be spared to get the other half, Mr. Agmon implied.

France raises bank rate to 11 per cent

PARIS (UPI). — France yesterday increased the bank rate, a full 1½ per cent to 11 per cent to shield the franc from speculative attacks. Government officials said the Bank of France said the move was a warning that France will combat with all means the newest speculative fever on European exchange markets.

The finance ministry said the 11 per cent bank rate had been reached only once previously in France 102 years ago — when Paris was besieged during the Franco-Prussian war in 1871.

The Bank of France, which made the discount rate announcement said it was also raising the so-called Lombard rate for collateral loans from 11 to 12 per cent, also a better than a century-old record.

Meanwhile the U.S. dollar and the French franc tumbled on currency markets yesterday in a new wave of speculation. The opening dollar quotation in Frankfurt was 2.4150 marks, but later slipped to 2.3790, the lowest since August 8. In Paris, on the official foreign exchange market, the franc closed at 4.18-20, down from 4.16-17 on Wednesday.

Eilat port strike threat

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The Shippers Council yesterday again appealed to the Ministers of Transport and Commerce and Industry for immediate intervention to prevent the paralysis of Eilat harbour. Council secretary Arieh Mehalai said the port was now working at only 25 per cent capacity, and workers were progressively intensifying their protest, which threatened a complete close down of the harbour early next week.

The workers are demanding a larger bonus for working in Eilat. Mr. Mehalai said that large amounts of export cargoes were lying in the port, including vital heavy equipment and building materials needed by Solel Boneh to carry out construction work in Africa. The company management informed him yesterday that they faced heavy penalties if they were unable to meet schedules, which was likely if the equipment is not shipped. Mr. Mehalai said that until yesterday it appeared that no steps to get the port fully working again had been taken by the Ministers.

Following a six-hour strike on Tuesday by the Merchant Marine Officers Union, the union and the management of Zim agreed on Wednesday to hold vigorous negotiations on all outstanding problems between them. Moshe Levi of the Eilatadut Executive will mediate in the talks to be completed within 10 days.

Mr. Levi got the union and management to reach an agreement on the strike which erupted over a statement by Zim general manager Moshe Kashti calling for the union leaders to be replaced. On Wednesday Zim issued a "clarification" which said Mr. Kashti did not question the service of the union heads.

Bank of Israel's reserves drop

The Bank of Israel's net foreign currency reserves at the end of August dropped by \$65m., the Bank has announced.

It said the drop was due to changes in currency exchange rates. (Most of the Bank's reserves are in European currencies, which registered a comparative fall through the strengthening of the dollar.) Total foreign currency reserves amounted to the value of \$1,412.5m. The Government's net debt to the Bank rose, by the end of August, by \$1,115.7m.

Friction experts to London conference

The chief chemical engineer of Delek, Mr. A.B. Shavit and Prof. L. Rozenau of the Haifa Technion will represent Israel and the Institute of Petroleum meetings in London next week of the European Tribology Congress.

Tribology is a new field devoted to the technology of friction, lubrication and wear. The meeting, the first of its kind, will be held under the patronage of the Duke of Edinburgh.

Dead Sea Works tries air shuttle

SDOM. — The Dead Sea Works will start an experimental air shuttle-service between Beerseba and Sdom, the manager of the plant said yesterday.

The experiment will begin next month and will continue until next April. If the service proves only slightly more expensive than the ILM, the company spends each year on bus transport for its 270 Beerseba-based employees, the air shuttle will become a permanent service. (Ihm).

Plan for Sharm ship hotel alive

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER, Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Meir Halevy, former general manager of the defunct Somerlin shipping company said yesterday that the scheme to purchase a French liner, the De Gaulle, and to turn her into a floating hotel at Sharm-a-Sheikh, was still alive. He was commenting to your reporter on a report from France that an Israeli company had bought the 18,000-ton liner from her owners, the Compagnie Generale Francaise, and immediately sold her to another firm in Hongkong.

Mr. Halevy, who initiated the Sharm ship project, said that the potential Israeli buyers, the Ciel company in conjunction with himself, were still negotiating with the French firm on a 5-year basis. The ship still had a two-month sailing schedule to complete, and the buyers had time until then to finalize the purchase. He believed it would go through.

According to his plan, the ship, which called at Haifa earlier this month, is to be turned into a fully air conditioned, four-star class hotel for a maximum of 850 guests, and to have a fleet of 180 employees would staff the hotel, and the ship would produce all its own power and water.

The prices would be "lower than at the big hotels in Eilat and Tel Aviv," he said, and expected that

she would become a tourist attraction and boost tourism in the whole region. She would lay at anchor in Sharm for 11 months a year, and in the 12th month would take tourists for a safari to South Africa, where she would get her annual maintenance.

He noted that not only would the scheme provide Sharm with much needed high class tourist accommodation within a few weeks, but the investment for each double room, estimated by him at \$130,000 to \$140,000, was much lower than for any conventional hotel, which would take years to build. He expected to have an average occupancy of 400 persons more than the break even point.

Mr. Halevy said that the Nature Reserves Authority has given the scheme its blessing, after he had undertaken to carry out certain environmental protection measures. Only the Ministry of Tourism was delaying the finalisation of the purchase, by failing to give its approval. He complained that the officials appeared to "lack vision" as the floating hotel would be able to put Sharm on the tourism map.

Thais will be able to trade with China

BANGKOK (AP). — Thailand's National Assembly yesterday unanimously agreed to amend the country's 19-year-old anti-Communist Act, thus allowing Thais to trade with mainland China.

However, the Ministry of Commerce will require prospective Thai traders with China to first obtain permission from the government.

The amendment to the act will be announced in the Royal Gazette in the next few days and will become effective 90 days after the announcement.

The Communist Act, enacted by the late military dictator Field Marshal Sarit Thanarat in 1958, prohibits contacts between the peoples of the two countries. The Act was brought for an open debate in the National Assembly on September 6.

Strike threat by hospital workers

TEL AVIV. — The national committee of the government hospital clerical and service workers yesterday announced that it was calling all its members out on a general strike on October 1 to protest the fact that Kupat Holim was signing "separate agreements" with its hospital workers.

The spokesman for the hospital workers said that Kupat Holim had refused to reveal any information on the contracts.

Last year, a joint committee was set up by the government and Kupat Holim to work out identical work contracts for both health organizations. The government hospital workers view the secret contracts as a violation of the terms of this committee.

Yesterday, the representatives of the government hospital workers announced they would boycott the committee until full terms of these contracts were revealed.

French mushrooms out, Chinese in

TAIPEI. — Nationalist China this year is expected to export 1.5m. cartons of canned mushrooms, each of 18 kgs., to West Germany this year. A leading exporter was quoted as saying that West German importers have decided not to purchase canned mushrooms from France because they are expensive.

Sixty-five per cent of this year's canned mushrooms exports from Taiwan, to total two million cartons, will go to West Germany. (China News)

Soviet accord with U.S. research institute

SAN FRANCISCO, California (AP). — The Soviet Government and Stanford Research Institute have signed a five-year agreement to improve relations between Russia and the Western business community.

The non-profit corporation with headquarters in Menlo Park said the agreement was the first of its kind between the Soviet Union and a Western research organization.

EL AVIV STOCKS

BETTER MOOD

EL AVIV. — The Stock Market is mixed yesterday and the mood proved. Turnover was \$1.7m. of which \$1.1m. was traded in the tables. This in itself is an encouraging factor.

The increased volume in the latter part of the day gave rise to the belief that the stock market had turned the corner and that the uptight in new buyers. The new volume of Elite chocolate factory being subscribed is causing general interest.

Another stimulating factor is the new interest in Natad. Share prices differed only fractionally from the previous day, one up or half a point down. Bank Registered lost a point on a bank at 184, after opening at a higher (25,000), ELDC how-

ever added another point to the half-point gain in the opening and closed at 195 (19,000). Rasseco and Neot Aviv were a point better, and ATIA-C gained a full point at 111, as did Elitica Cable and Wire.

Paper Mills was 5½ points up, due to a rise in New York. Central Trade behaved erratically, down 14 to 240 during the day, and up again to 260 at the close (89,700).

Discount and Bank Leumi Investment lost 2½ pts. But Piryon and Clal Investment firmed. Oil shares also were better. Convertible bonds eased with 750,000 traded.

Natad rose a point to 4.28 with a turnover of \$105,000. Cost of living bonds firmed with the exception of some defence loans, which were corrected downwards after a previous excessive rise. Turnover was \$11m.

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'Bear market is over'

YORK (AP). — Stock prices edged higher again yesterday in one of the heaviest trading of the week as the market's recent power-performance pulled many private investors back into the market, as said.

Yesterday's advance extended yesterday's rally, which had added more than 15 points to the Dow Jones Industrial Average in a session which had totalled million shares. Advances outnumbered declines by more than 1 during the day.

IBM, the glamour whose record of heavy trading, lost some ground in heavy trading. Analysts said the broad upswing was due to an uplift of general confidence, which is adjusting to a less unfavourable economic outlook.

"Unless something unusual happens, the bear market is over," said Martin Goodfriend of Bruns, Nordemann & Co.

The Dow Jones Industrials closed at 920.52, up 10.18.

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More than a Nuisance

YESTERDAY'S "stoppage" of bus traffic (Egged's euphemism for the strike) was more than just another nuisance. It caused the public enormous loss and inconvenience, hitting hard at the poor and the weak. Its harmful effects stood in no proportion to the relatively small sums involved.

The bus cooperatives claim that they have been losing IL1.5m. a month since last April but the government offered to reimburse them with IL7m. of that, leaving the rest to be discussed and settled in December. This proposal may or may not have violated the agreement between the bus cooperatives and the Ministry of Transport, and the government's reason for delaying a final settlement of a long-simmering issue until after the elections is difficult to understand. But that does not mean that the cooperatives are entitled to hold the public to ransom.

They cannot even claim to be facing genuine difficulties. The sum in question is but a small fraction of their turnover, which reaches IL15m. a month, and despite their alleged losses, the price of member-shares was raised only recently.

The bus cooperatives operate under a concession to provide a public service. Under this concession they are granted a monopoly against certain very specific obligations which they

have now wantonly violated. Whether or not their grievances against the Ministry of Transport are legitimate, they cannot justify withholding transportation service from the public. Neither can they claim the right of workers to strike without being liable to pay damages, for the Egged and Dan shareholders are not wage-earners, but owners, and their work stoppage was not directed against their employer. It was directed against the public and should be penalized accordingly. This was acknowledged in the ruling given by Judge Loewenberg, and there is no reason to sweep that under the carpet because the strike did not last longer.

The Ministry of Transport can also not be acquitted of responsibility. It may have had good reasons for rejecting the cooperative claims and for disregarding their threats (although the public has not been apprized of them), but it was not ready with a contingency plan to provide transportation in case these threats were carried out. Granting permission to private drivers to carry passengers for pay cannot be considered an adequate plan, just as admonishing the strikers is not a reassuring public posture.

With only this to face, it is little wonder the cooperatives treated their statutory obligations so lightly.

Washington expects more from Jerusalem than Cairo

According to repeated statements by Israel officials, U.S. policy towards the Middle East in general, and Israel in particular, has not changed. Yet these spokesmen concede that when a new Israel Government has been elected, Washington will try to persuade Jerusalem to help get a negotiating process going in the Middle East. There is no contradiction between these two assessments, according to a senior Israeli source who is instrumental in guiding relations with the United States. ASHER WALLFISH surveys what the U.S. wants from Israel, Jerusalem to help get a negotiating

WASHINGTON is expected later this year to exert its influence in Cairo, and not only in Jerusalem, to initiate a negotiating process. When President Richard Nixon said earlier this month, that "both sides are at fault," he wasn't trying to apportion blame equally, it is felt here. Rather, what he meant was that both sides had failed to think about solutions intensively enough. Washington, in fact, expects Jerusalem to make a greater mental effort than Cairo. That is because the Americans say Israel has more to give away in the bargaining process, and because Israelis are thought to be more capable of thinking out appropriate solutions.

No serious U.S. personalities saddle Israel with responsibility for the protracted deadlock. They all blame Egypt for having posed preliminary conditions — such as total withdrawal from the territories — to plans for an overall settlement as well as an interim arrangement.

The State Department today regards the plan to reopen the Suez Canal, coupled with a small Israeli withdrawal from its eastern bank, as a "non-starter." Here, too, the Egyptians and not the Israelis are blamed. Cairo had no interest in getting the closed waterway going for its own sake. It aimed at securing an Israeli pull-back by stages, with the final stage — a total pull-back — signed and sealed even before the first stage was negotiated.

Israeli officials are sure that their U.S. counterparts do not yet know what negotiating process they seek, and what it is to achieve. At present, their only decision is that the dialogue with Israel must take place whatever happens.

Jerusalem's assessment that no change has taken place in U.S. policy towards Israel refers to the policy which has been applied ever since 1971.

One cardinal element of this policy, on the global as well as the regional level, is that Israel must be kept strong. A second cardinal element is that solutions to the Middle East crisis cannot be enforced from the outside. A third element, which

flows from this, is that the disputants in this part of the world, as everywhere else, must talk and negotiate. The U.S. went over to this policy, not in order to help Israel, or to satisfy any moral criteria, but because it was advantageous to its own practical interests. It shelved the Rogers Plan for the same reason (and Israeli officials believe that shelved means finally abandoned).

The Rogers Plan, which entailed an element of political intervention from the outside, could one day have involved an element of military intervention if things went wrong. Hence the Rogers Plan, which created a Vietnam in embryo, was bad for American interests. As a U.S. official once said "We haven't left the Far East to get involved in the Middle East."

Officials here believe the opinion of analysts, who claim that the White House never gave final approval to the Rogers Plan. It was merely ready to give it a try, on the theory that "if it works, it's fine, and if not, never mind!"

THESE officials believe that the top men in the U.S. Administration and Congress have no firm ideas of how to solve the Middle East deadlock. What they do have are various approaches to the deadlock — none of which are harmful to Israel's basic interests.

The top men in Washington want to do their best to separate the energy crisis complex, and their relations with Saudi Arabia, from the Israel-Arab dispute. They are not sure they can get a solution to the dispute, without being exposed to "oil extortion." But they know they have no choice but to try.

They want to see a solution in the Middle East, because the atmosphere of détente is prevalent everywhere else in the world. The Israel-Arab dispute stands out in their eyes more and more like a sore thumb, as other global problems are reduced in number.

In any case, Israelis have been told the U.S. is not happy to be isolated in its support for this country, while

one world body after another censures or attempts to censure Israel, and certain European states describe Israel as an irritant to their smooth relations with the Arab world.

Although the United States would not allow sanctions to be voted or carried out against Israel, it is clearly embarrassed by the cumulative effect of resolutions criticizing Israel, and feels that a solution to the crisis would remove this burden.

THE assessment in Jerusalem is that the U.S. has made up its mind to achieve independence in its energy supplies — but not for love of Israel. America wants to remain a superpower, and not become a satellite of Abu Dhabi. But in the three to five years required to attain this independence, the U.S. will have to rely on Arab supplies, mostly from Saudi Arabia, to make up a certain proportion of its imported oil.

The top men in Washington have gone on record that they will not surrender to Feisal's oil pressures on behalf of Arab political ends. But they have not yet found a way of mastering those pressures.

Fortunately for Israel, both the oil companies and the oil-rich Arab states have projected an unpleasant image on the American scene. King Feisal, especially after his recent television appearance, generated obvious dislike. This should help the Administration to stand firmer against oil extortion, officials here believe.

The fact is that, whereas Egypt's President Sadat formed the focus of Washington's Middle East thinking in 1970 and 1971, because of the Soviet presence and the risk of the U.S. being drawn into conflicts, his importance has now receded. Sadat is down, and King Feisal is up, at a time when the Persian Gulf as well as the energy crisis are the centre of Washington's urgent attention. And Washington today is in the process of learning to live with Feisal. The Post was told.

The Soviet Union, meanwhile, having taken Sadat less seriously for the past 12 months and more, is



U.S. POLICY ON ISRAEL — The men in the middle, Ambassador Dinitz and Secretary of State-designate Kissinger.

attaching much more importance to the Persian Gulf and the Indian Ocean beyond.

Jerusalem is not prepared to predict U.S. moves more than six months ahead. Within that period, however, Jerusalem refuses to believe that the U.S. will draft an initiative independently and then proceed to "sell" it to the parties involved in the dispute. Jerusalem cannot believe that Washington will draw it into a public confrontation, aimed at putting Israel into an inferior position prior to being served with dictates. And finally, pressure — in the form of military, economic or other sanctions — is unthinkable.

Jerusalem's theory is that pressure is most effective against those who lay themselves open to it, and today's Washington, in its view, does not find Jerusalem open to pressure. As one knowledgeable official put it: "If they felt any 'give' when they probed, they would push harder. Since they feel no 'give,' they take another course, and seek to make Israel strong enough not to fear granting concessions."

Public discussion in Israel of possible concessions in a settlement with the Arabs, is one form of laying oneself open to pressure. Israel cannot sell a concession in public and then try to sell it once again in private. "We do not have enough room for manoeuvre to start slicing salamis," one official said. Washington will not encourage the emergence of a Palestine Arab political entity, Jerusalem believes. Instead, it holds that Jordan is spokesman for the Palestinians.

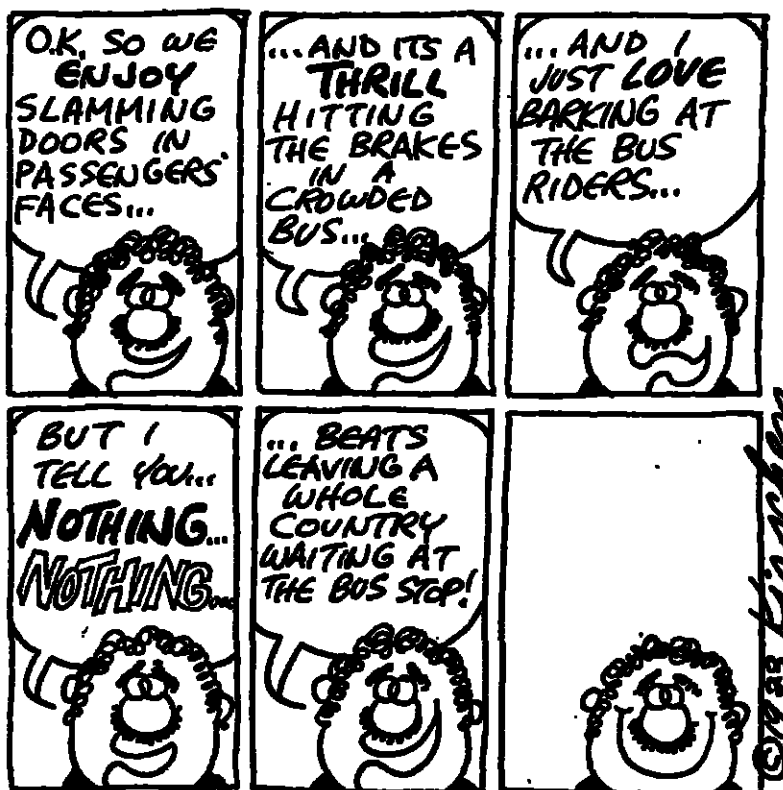
Jerusalem says that Washington

understands its point of view sympathetically on the national territorial settlement, though its substance. But in any Washington has no fixed view what Israel's future borders look like.

Moreover, Israel's settlement development activities in the do not cause concern in the U.S. Administration. It doesn't consider the Golan Heights for the coming election a divergence from our previous policy. They don't think that negotiations need be disturbed by present settlement activities — is unthinkable.

THE quality of this communication with the United States will depend a great deal on the approach of Prof. Henry Kissinger, Secretary of State-designate. Israelis who study the Wa scene say that most, if not the speculation about Prof. ger's Jewish origins affect policy towards Israel, for if for worse, simply cancels it. But taking a cue from P singer's known frankness, his practice of talking to statesmen, not at them or heads, Jerusalem is ready to pare him favourably with U.S. Administration figures. "We don't think Prof. will catch us by surprise, don't think he'll diddle us, big thing," was the view of an authoritative informant.

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Showy Knesset debate

Davar (Histadrut) criticizes the Likud for initiating the extraordinary Knesset session. "Their initiative had nothing to do with the issue itself. Their sole purpose was to appear before the voter as the only political group in Israel con-

cerned over the fate of Soviet Jewry. To get this effect, they tried to create the impression that there were differences between the Knesset and the Government over this issue, similar to those between the Administration and Congress in the U.S."

Dr. Simme Coggin, Gynaecologist, has arrived from New Zealand and requests her friends and relatives to communicate with her at 22 Rehov Lamerhav, Ramat Hasharon, or Tel. 03-770623.

Ha'aretz (Independent) discusses the delicate situation that may arise in the aircraft industry when Mordechai Hod takes over as full-time Chairman of the Board, while Al Schwimmer remains General Manager of this vast company. The paper hopes that there will be no overlapping of authority, with the former concentrating on formulation of policy, planning and control of the latter on implementation.

Readers' letters

KISHON AND DIASPORA SUSCEPTIBILITIES

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post: Sir, — I am writing this about Mr. Kishon's column, "No Dice," which deals with that abortion, "Jesus Christ, Superstar." An Episcopalian Minister in America, Malcolm Boyd, writing in "Newsday," clearly sees that the impression made by those "black-kartaned rabbis" in the film is rather different than Mr. Kishon thinks. He adds: "Now we come to the heart of the mystery that inexplicably shrouds this movie. It is anti-Semitic. Oberammergau couldn't top this one. Jew-haters, whether in Germany or middle America, will rub their hands with glee and chorle loudly when they sit down in a theatre to see 'Jesus Christ Superstar'."

Mr. Kishon's logic is at fault: It may be true that the Jewish producers who don't invest in movie-making in Israel are not friends of his; that doesn't mean that the man who made this movie is a friend. Is making money from the movie industry so important that you will stop at nothing, including permitting the production of anti-Semitism? In that case, you will prove the old anti-Semitic libel — that Jews love money above all else, even above the welfare of their fellow Jews.

Is it so long ago that anti-Semitism wasn't merely a part of a road opera, but something that produced astonishing murderous results? I think Mr. Kishon's article is truly blasphemous to the memory of the murdered Jews of Europe.

NOEMA FREEDMAN
New York, September 4.

Sir, — It seems to me that there are several fallacies in Ephraim Kishon's "No Dice" (August 17). In the first place, my criticism is that the movie was permitted to be filmed in Israel, since that lent it undeserved authenticity.

In the second place, we must not lose sight of the fact that more than 75 per cent of the Jews of the world still live in the Diaspora. In many of these lands, anti-Semitism is still fed by religious fanaticism. Israel has many external enemies, but, thank God, is not plagued with anti-Semitism within. This may be

one reason that the Israelis are not as perturbed as American Jews are by the appearance of the film, "Jesus Christ, Superstar." With one point that Mr. Kishon makes, I am in total agreement: The establishment of the State of Israel has given the Israelis a sense of pride and dignity that has contributed to a loss or reduction of the ever present Jewish inferiority complex.

BENJAMIN DIAMOND
New York, September 6.

Sir, — I'm not always delighted with Ephraim Kishon's writing, but this week's "No Dice" (August 17) is excellent! Bravo!

JOSEF BROCHEN
Jerusalem, August 17.

Sir, — Blessed is the people that includes a man like you. I read your fable, "No Dice," with the greatest delight.

I. DANKEE
Newport News, Va., August 24.

Ephraim Kishon comments:

It is my belief that the existence of the Jewish State must give new content to the spiritual life of all the Jews of the world, not only to the citizens of Israel. On this question, I don't have to accept the opinion of an Episcopalian clergyman from Long Island; the opinion of Mr. Gerald Kaufman, film critic of the "Jewish Chronicle," is to my mind more reliable and better founded, and here is what he wrote on June 22, 1973: "This absurd over-sensitivity demonstrates that the cringing inferiority complex of the downtrodden Diaspora still dominates the reflexes of the world's most powerful Diaspora community. It also shows, by comparison, how emancipated the Israelis are. To them, their economy matters more than susceptibilities which the existence of the Jewish State has made obsolete."

Tel Aviv, September 16.

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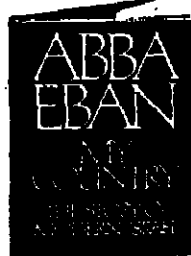
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